

WEATHER FORECASTS

Victoria and vicinity—Light to moderate winds, generally fair and mild.
Vancouver and vicinity—Generally fair and mild.

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WILL LAUNCH BIG TOURIST QUEST

Puget Sound Cities Combine to Follow Seattle's Printers' Ink Campaign for Travelers' Trade

\$24,000,000 SPENT BY VISITORS HERE THIS YEAR

Spectacular Programme Aims to Keep Southerners Coming North During the Entire Summer Months

SEATTLE, Dec. 22.—Cities touching on Puget Sound will join in a campaign of co-operative advertising, spending \$33,000 in sixty-six page newspaper advertisements, as the outgrowth of a conference at the Seattle Chamber of Commerce yesterday. Representatives from Bellingham, Tacoma and Seattle, in Washington, joined with a delegation from Vancouver and Victoria, British Columbia. Ald. Fred Cron, chairman of Vancouver's \$100,000 publicity fund, proposed the slogan: "Well Puget Sound to Californians and the tourist in California."

The striking success of Seattle's publicity campaign in Eastern newspapers was the clinching argument. This has been so productive and so beneficial even to the British Columbia and other Sound cities that these have been urged to continue it and to exhibit a willingness to stand a proportionate share of its cost.

Spectacular Campaign
It was felt that the Puget Sound cities, which have the same climate, scenery and attractions, and also an argument as to interchange of tourists, could join in a spectacular campaign, designed to start California travel northward in May and keep the Golden Gate's residents coming into October. A proposal to establish a Puget Sound bureau in Los Angeles is being considered.

Alderman Cron said: "Because of immigration requirements, we are able to make an absolute check on what the tourist business means to British Columbia. This year it brought in \$14,000,000, and we think also that the cheapest, most effective way to get new settlers and investors to set them first as tourists, just as to get them in California."

"Do Our Share"
"Seattle has been a pioneer in this work and we want to do our share," Joseph Patrick, a prominent resident of Victoria, heartily endorsed the idea.

The tentative plan calls for advertising in Los Angeles, San Diego, San Francisco, Oakland, Fresno, Sacramento, Boise, Idaho; Spokane and Portland.

The Seattle Chamber's publicity committee, Lucile Whitcomb, chairman, will make final decision on the proposition Friday, and the proposal that two publicity committees from each city handle the arrangements. The effort, if undertaken, would be part of the 1924 national advertising and tourist promotion work to be undertaken by the Seattle Chamber through the special \$135,000 fund it is raising.

War Prisoners Pardoned
LEAVENWORTH, Dec. 22.—Twenty-seven men convicted of wartime offenses and sentenced to the Federal penitentiary here were released tonight. They were among the thirty violators of war laws recently pardoned by President Coolidge.

Unknown Donor Gives Rotary Two Hundred Dollars

THE Rotary Christmas fund was given a sudden jump yesterday to the extent of two hundred dollars from an anonymous donor. There were numerous other contributions, including the sum of \$2.61 in pennies, representing the little girl's savings of an appreciable part of her life.

For further contributions to be used to the best advantage they should be left at one of the collecting stations later than Monday. The Christmas tree will be staged at the Pantages Theatre on Friday afternoon. Invitation cards will be mailed before Christmas Day, and it is hoped to have all the scrip for shoes and clothing also in the mail before that day.

Subscriptions will be received at The Colonist or Times office, or at the Rotary Club office, 1008 Broad Street. Already acknowledged—\$1,553.50
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F. W. J. 5.00
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F. R. S. 5.00
Peter Hinks 5.00
Wm. Whalley 2.00
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Mrs. J. G. Ault 5.00
Maynard & Sons 5.00
Kamela Club 10.00
Mrs. Hunt—Baby clothes. \$1,623.51

GREEK RULERS REACH HAVEN

King George and Queen Elizabeth, Exiled From Athens, Welcomed on Arrival at Bucharest

ROUMANIAN AMBASSADOR LEAVES GRECIAN CAPITAL

Sudden Departure of Minister Is Thought to Mean Diplomatic Rupture Between the Two Countries

BUCHAREST, Dec. 22.—King George and Queen Elizabeth of Greece arrived here at 3 o'clock this afternoon from Athens. They reached the port of Constantia this morning and journeyed to Bucharest, a distance of about 65 miles, by rail.

The King and Queen were welcomed by the Crown Prince and Princess of Roumania, and Prince Paul and Princess Irene of Greece. King Ferdinand and Queen Marie, members of the Roumanian government, representatives of the army and navy and members of the Greek colony met them in Bucharest. The party was cheered as it left the railway.

Ambassador Leaves
ATHENS, Dec. 22.—The Roumanian minister to Greece, M. Djouvara, has suddenly been summoned back to Bucharest.

It is not clear whether the recall means a diplomatic rupture or if he has been summoned to explain the recent events in connection with the departure of King George and Queen Elizabeth. The Queen is a daughter of Queen Marie of Roumania. The minister notified the government he had received instructions from his government to depart from Athens immediately. He planned to leave at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Athens dispatches last night said M. Djouvara publicly denied a report that he had attempted a diplomatic demarche against the enforced departure from Greece of King George and Queen Elizabeth. Roumania, he declared, had merely joined Great Britain in demanding assurances of safety for the King and Queen. M. Djouvara was the only diplomat present to say farewell to George upon the latter's departure for Roumania.

SHOPPERS THROG BUSINESS SECTION

PARKING SPACE ON STREETS WAS AT A PREMIUM

Departmental Stores Crowded—Post-office Reports Number of Letters Mailed

Traffic in the shopping district of Victoria yesterday afternoon and evening, both vehicular and pedestrian, broke all records of the 1923 Christmas season. From noon yesterday to 4 o'clock the afternoon, and from shortly after 7 o'clock to after 10 o'clock in the evening, Douglas, Government, Broad, Fort and Yates Streets and intermediate streets in the shopping district were jammed, and parking space for motor cars was at a premium.

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DEAN SURPRISING IN HIS ANSWERS

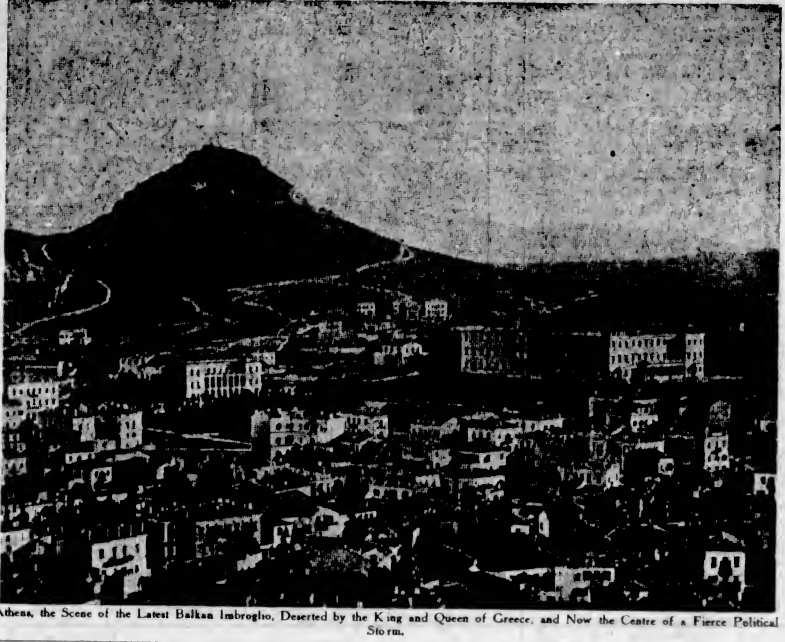
Asked What Victoria Requires, He Urges New Cathedral, Purer Speech and Manners in Public Life, Juvenile Court Reform, and Better Facilities for Cricket, and Also Suggests Something on Lines of German Beer Garden or French Cafe

WHILE a dean might be expected to urge the need of a new Anglican cathedral, it is hardly so assured that he would propose something along the lines of a German beer garden or French cafe for this city. In giving his views upon the question, "What Does Victoria Need?" the Very Rev. Dean C. S. Quinlan does both the expected and the unexpected. He writes:

It is with some hesitation that I try to answer the question: "What does Victoria need?" The able statements that have already appeared in answer to that question do not make my task however any easier. I know nothing about real estate, and if I did know how to engineer a real estate boom I would not divulge the secret. My views on how to secure the presence of stable industries would be regarded as futile. I am handicapped in these directions by the fact that my business is, in Ruskin's phrase, "the manufacture of souls." A homily on optimism seems the sort of optimism I should not advocate—optimism with regard to intangible things is not popular. But why should this question be put at all?

In a very real sense this question discomfited with Victoria is quite misplaced. Victoria has already got all she needs for life. After all, we do not live on wages and salaries and dinner pails. Wordsworth said: "We live by admiration, hope and love." We have abundance of the necessities of life already. We have the beauty of the sea, and the mountains, and the bays, and the flowers. We have two colonial universities, and there are some very charming people here. The peace that permeates all understanding is

Thrones Totter As the Republican Tide Rises



Athens, the Scene of the Latest Balkan Imbroglio, Deserted by the King and Queen of Greece, and Now the Centre of a Fierce Political Storm.

EFFERVESCENCE LOSING ITS HEAD

UNPLEASANTNESS IN MEXICO ABOUT PETREING OUT

Rebels in Tobacco Hotly Pursued—Retreat "for Reasons of Military Expediency"

EL PASO, Dec. 22.—General Carlos Hreene, rebel commander in the State of Tabasco, has been routed from his position in front of Villa Hermosa, capital of the state, and Federal troops are in pursuit. Council General Rube was advised yesterday by Mexico City. General Gonzalez, commanding Federal troops in the oil fields, reported to President Obregon that all was quiet and that he had sufficient forces to cope with any uprising.

NOGALIER, Ariz., Dec. 22.—Revolutionary forces on the front east of Mexico City, are conducting a continuous retreat toward Vera Cruz, where they will make a last stand to defeat Federal forces who are pursuing them, according to intercepted rebel messages made public by the Mexican consulate here today.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 22.—Unconfirmed press dispatches from Puebla reported that government forces captured that city at 1 o'clock this afternoon.

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 22.—The rebels have evacuated the city of Puebla, "for reasons of military expediency," it is announced by their headquarters here. They held the city for several days.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 22.—Prohibition costs the Northwest farmers \$78,000,000 a year income lost by the absence of any considerable demand for barley through cessation of manufacture of alcoholic beverages on a legitimate commercial basis, according to E. A. Quamm, president of the Federal Land Bank in this section.

MEN OLDER THAN EGYPTIANS FOUND IN SOUTH AMERICA

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Discovery of a tribe whose people he believed to have antedated the ancient Egyptians was reported today to the National Foreign Trade Council by John Giffen Culbertson, a manufacturer, of Wichita Falls, Tex., on his return from a South American tour of a year and a half.

These people, known as the Machas, speak a language very similar in construction to English, he reported, and their ancestors escaped extinction in the Biblical flood by climbing trees. The tribe lives near the headwaters of the Amazon, where Culbertson said he had invaded forests never before penetrated by white men.

ASKS GUARANTEE OF SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

Federal Member Gives Notice of Proposed Change to Banking Act to Protect Depositors

VANCOUVER, Dec. 22.—Governmental guarantees of small savings accounts in the banks affording similar protection to the now given to bank notes is recommended in a resolution which Mr. L. J. Landner, M.P., South Vancouver, will introduce in Parliament this afternoon. Mr. Landner has sent notice of this motion to the clerk of the House. He suggests a special committee of the House be appointed to consider the feasibility of amendment to the Bank Act to provide for the establishment of a special savings account for average depositors in addition to the existing one, whereby all depositors in Canadian banks shall be guaranteed against loss up to \$3,000, by the establishment of a fund known as "the bank circulation redemption fund" or, the resolution continues, "that such special savings account be Canada, or portion, or in such manner as the committee may consider in a fund" or, the resolution continues, "that such special savings account be Canada, or portion, or in such manner as the committee may consider in a fund"

WINNIPEG, Dec. 22.—Prince Erik of Denmark passed through here today on his way to Ottawa, where he will spend Christmas, after which he will go to New York before returning to his ranch in Alberta. Prince Erik spoke optimistically of his stay in this city, and mentioned that 200,000 pounds of butter had been produced this season at his creamery.

THREE NEW QUAKES FELT IN COLOMBIA

More Shakes in District Recently Suffering Severely With Great Loss of Life

QUAYACHIL, Ecuador, Dec. 22.—Three new earthquake shocks have been felt in Tulcan, according to advices from that city today. Tulcan several days ago was severely shaken, many persons were killed, and a great amount of damage was done.

Communication with the border Canadian towns which were affected by the recent disturbances is still interrupted. It is reported the towns of El Angel and San Gabriel have been partly destroyed.

Funds are coming in rapidly from all parts of the country to aid those made homeless by the earthquakes.

First White Woman To Cross Canadian Rockies Eastbound

VANCOUVER, Dec. 22.—Another link with pioneer days in Western Canada was severed today when Mrs. Catherine Thompson died here at the home of her son. Mrs. Thompson was born at Kildonan, Man., in 1849. Her mother, Mrs. Jane Murray, was born in British Columbia in 1821, and was said to be the first white woman to cross the Canadian Rockies eastbound. She lived in Kildonan from the age of 13 until her death in 1906. She was a daughter of the famous old Hudson's Bay Company factor named Francis Heron. George Murray Thompson, of Edmonton, and Arthur, of Vancouver, are Mrs. Thompson's sons.

CURE FOR CATTLE PLAGUE AT HAND

GERMAN AND DUTCH EXPERTS ALLEGED DISCOVERY

Bacillus of Foot and Mouth Disease Has Been Discovered, and Antidote Announced

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Hope that a cure for the foot and mouth disease which is now ravishing cattle herds in Great Britain is at last at hand, is held out by The Daily Express' Utrecht correspondent, who reports that important experiments are being made there by Prof. Pfeiler, a German, and also by a Dutch veterinary. Prof. Pfeiler has been working on the subject for years, and some time ago announced to a small number of his colleagues and the Dutch surgeon the discovery of the bacillus of the disease.

Affected Animals
The question of treatment of affected animals is being discussed in Great Britain, where there is a growing feeling against continued slaughter of herds. There have been two recent instances of what are alleged to be complete cures. One of these herds belongs to the Duke of Westminster, the other to the noted breeder, John Darlington. The chief veterinary officer of the Ministry of Agriculture inspected both herds and reported that he was satisfied with the result of the treatment.

It is now stated that the orders to slaughter affected cattle may be modified in cases like these where complete isolation and similar treatment can be carried out. In the meantime, the disease continues to spread.

VIENNA, Dec. 22.—Sigmund Rosel, a Viennese Jewish financier, has undertaken all the expense for the up-keep of all scientific institutions in the University of Vienna, following an appeal by Chancellor Seipel M. Doeller, president of the University, who ordered all faculties to prepare a budget which is to be submitted to Mr. Rosel. Only 36 years of age, Mr. Rosel has amassed a huge fortune during the last few years and is today considered the richest man in Austria.

MILD CHRISTMAS IS USUAL THING

Records Taken During Last Thirty-Nine Years Show Highest Christmas Day Temperature to Be 53 and Lowest 26—Tradition of Storms Is Unjustified, Superintendent Napier Denison, of Meteorological Bureau, States

FOR thirty-nine years Victoria has made a point of giving its inhabitants more or less comfortable weather for Christmas. And all indications are that she will make no radical departure from the usual this year. The thermometer is wavering about between thirty and forty, with a definite prediction for the latter, and although no one objects to a little frosty snap in the air on Christmas morning there are very few who will growl if the mercury keeps up above freezing.

The highest Christmas day temperature recorded in Victoria during the past thirty-nine years was in 1859 and again in 1892, on both of which dates the thermometer reported 53 degrees at its maximum. The lowest temperature was in 1888, when the mercury stood at 24, this being 3 degrees of frost. The average Christmas Day temperature for the whole of this period makes out at 42 degrees, just ten degrees above freezing.

In the matter of sunshine, nature has not been ever-generous, although it must be remembered in looking at the average of one hour and a minutes for this day, that December 23 is within three days of the shortest day of the year, so that Old Sol

CENTRE PLAN MEETS WITH GENERAL FAVOR

Merchants, Manufacturers, Business, Theatrical and Transportation Men Agree Crystal Gardens Boon to City—Worth Hundreds of Thousands of Dollars to Victoria, Says Mr. Angus Campbell

Have Long Wanted Centre, Now Get One For Nothing

TAPPING by The Colonist of general opinion about the city on the merits of the proposed Amusement Centre has brought forth a flow of opinion that points to a great preponderance of feeling in favor of the scheme. The Mayor and aldermen to a man have already publicly recommended the agreement with the C. P. R. for the construction of the Centre to the citizens, while the Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club and other prominent public organizations have stamped it with their approval. The private citizen, investigations indicate, is just as strong in his support. The majority of the people of the city are frank in their approval, while the remainder are not so much opposed to the undertaking as they are slow to give opinion. Such a one was Premier John Oliver, who replied, when asked for his attitude: "I have no opinion to give on the Amusement Centre because I don't know anything about it, and I don't talk about things I know nothing about."

Business men and others prominent in the life of the city, representatives of diversified interests, were less reluctant to speak, as is indicated by the following tributes to the desirability of the scheme, culled at random yesterday from many such:

Overdue Comet Is Now Reported By Leipsic Savant
SAN JOSE, Cal., Dec. 22.—The comet, reported by astronomers at Leipzig University as conclusively observed, has been located in the South by Dr. Max Wolf, astronomer of Heidelberg, Germany, according to a telegram received by Dr. Robert C. Aikin, associate director of Lick Observatory. In his wire Dr. Wolf reported the celestial visitor appeared so faintly it barely was discernible. In this vicinity clouds have prevented any observation of the comet, Dr. Aikin reported.

Bolshevik Editor Also Challenges
Official Soviet Scribbles Defies Mr. Secretary Hughes to Produce the Goods
MOSCOW, Dec. 22.—Editors are being made to locate the date and number of The Ivestia, the official organ of the Soviet regime in which Secretary Hughes, acknowledged the close connection between the Soviet and Communist Internationale. All the files of the paper are available here, but no date has been given for the statement which Mr. Hughes says The Ivestia published.

It is maintained that in any event such utterances became a moot point when Steinkoff, in a long article, denied that he wrote what had been ascribed to him, and challenged the production of the date when the article appeared. He further branded the entire document as a "forgery," probably purchased by the American secret police from some White Guard organization, such as exist in Latvia for the express purpose of fabrication.

Jewish Financier Comes to Rescue of Vienna University
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President Grooms North Pole Nomads
HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 22.—President Coolidge is sending Christmas greetings to the North Pole. Winged north by amateur radio, a "Merry Christmas" from the White House will greet a tiny group of explorers in their ice-bound cabin on the top of the world, only eleven degrees from the pole.

A short time after he had written a Christmas greeting to the children of the United States, President Coolidge wrote a Christmas message for Captain Donald M. McMillan, who, of all men, is nearest the home of Santa Claus.

Amateur radio men connected with the American Radio Relay League started the Coolidge message on its four thousand mile journey from this city tonight.

Caretaker's Wife and Four Children Reported Missing in Vancouver

VANCOUVER, Dec. 22.—The disappearance of Mrs. C. Wheeler and her four children is occupying the attention of a large group of people in one of the city churches, of which Mrs. Wheeler's husband is caretaker, ranging in age from 15 to 8 years, when shopping Friday morning, and have not returned to their home.

Judge Recognizes a Trick That Is Vain
VANCOUVER, Dec. 22.—On the ground that the Oriental probably knows what they were doing, Mr. Justice Morrison refused to quash the sentence of six months' imprisonment imposed by a magistrate on charges of drug trafficking. The appeal was based on the assertion that three Chinese pleaded guilty after being told by an interpreter that they would get off with fines.

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JAPAN CLAIMS PRIOR RIGHTS UNDER CONTRACT

Imperial Government Enters Protests at Washington and Claims Damages From the Asiatic Republic

TOKIO, Dec. 22.—If the powerful Mitsui Company of Japan is forced to surrender its exclusive radio contract in China, owing to the agreement made last Summer between the Chinese Government and the Federal Telegraph Company in conjunction with the Radio Corporation of America, China must pay compensation to the Japanese concern, K. Yoshihwa, Japanese Minister at Peking, has informed the Peking Government, according to unofficial advices received here.

The agreement with the American firm signed by the president of the Federal Telegraph Company, provides for the construction of five powerful wireless stations in China establishing for the first time direct communication between the United States and China. Work already has begun under the agreement.

To Cost Thirteen Millions
The total cost of the project is estimated at more than \$13,000,000. Japan twice has protested to the United States against the contract claiming that a previous agreement with the Mitsui Co. gave that concern exclusive wireless rights in China. The Japanese Minister's statement was embodied in the latest demand for recognition of the Mitsui's monopolistic rights to radio facilities in China.

The controversy over the Schwerin contract resulted in a note from the American Government on the subject of the "open door" policy, last Summer.

SAYS STATE AID NOW NECESSITY

WITHOUT HELP AMERICAN SHIPS GO ON SCRAP HEAP

U. S. Shipping Board Commissioner Points to "Liquor of British Mercantile Marine"

WASHINGTON, D.C., Dec. 22.—The unqualified prediction that failure on the part of Congress to give Government aid to American shipping means the scrap heap for those vessels within the year was made by Commissioner Plummer, of the Shipping Board, in an address before the Washington Board of Trade.

For American ships to carry cargoes to and from this country in competition with foreign flags without Government aid, he declared, was an impossibility. This aid, he contended, as found by the Congressional Commission of 1916, should be \$5 per gross ton per year for freight vessels.

English Ships Trouble
"That this must be so," Mr. Plummer said, "the following facts unquestionably demonstrate. Since 1916, World War England alone has built six million tons of shipping, or nearly three times the amount of our Government-owned vessels, now in operation. Every one of these new ships was built and equipped for a particular service, while most of our ships were built solely with an eye to quick construction for the purpose of saving the necks of those who now are so ambitious to put us off the seas. This statement means that since the armistice England has rebuilt more than one-quarter of her entire merchant fleet while we have been struggling along with the craft we had."

Warrant Signed for "Red" Ryan's Return

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 22.—Norman "Red" Ryan, Canadian bank robber, was formally charged with being a fugitive from justice today, when Inspector Walter Duncan, Canadian Department of Justice, signed a warrant charging him with robbing the Bank of Nova Scotia, Toronto, on September 27. This action, it was explained, was to forestall the threatened action of Ryan's attorney to obtain a writ of habeas corpus. The warrant cites that after robbing the bank of \$2,000, Ryan fled to Minneapolis, where he was arrested at the instigation of S. J. Dickson, chief constable at Toronto.

ANOTHER ASSET

PARIS, Dec. 22.—The Chamber of Deputies today adopted a bill providing for special credits under "the budget recoverable from Germany" to \$56,970,000 francs to be spent in reconstruction work in the devastated regions during January and February.

Make reservations early for Christmas Dinner at Strathcona Hotel; \$1.00, 12-2 and 2-30-2.



CITY'S WELCOME TO SANTA COSTLY

Fireside Statistician Estimates Kris Kringle's Sack This Year Represents \$34,000,000—Mah Jong Sets for the First Time in History Represent Enormous Item—Train Loads of Turkeys and Plum Puddings Included

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Santa Claus' budget, estimated for New York City this year will be something like \$34,000,000. For toys the sum of \$22,000,000 will be spent; sweets will cost \$4,000,000, to change hands while nuts will bring about a turnover of \$8,000,000.

The holly and the mistletoe, the red and green paper balls of peace and the candles on the Christmas trees in New York City will account for an outlay of \$1,000,000.

There will be, it is estimated, 650,000 Christmas trees to make Christmas holiday, and under the lowest branches of some 400,000 of these, will repose mah jong sets originating in the country of Sun Yat Sen.

Mrs. New York, Santa's most able

assistant in the city, has stirred to the right consistency 250,000 plum puddings, and her oven has been hot for innumerable mince pies. Co-operating with the poultrymen she has made ready to do "to a turn" 450,000 turkeys, 400,000 chickens, 150,000 geese and 130,000 ducks.

Senora New York, from Italy, has arranged to tickle the palates of her fellow countrymen with the delicate flesh of the eel. She has spent about \$25,000 in purchasing thousands of the long fellows.

Christmas savings clubs in New York will pay depositors nearly \$200,000,000, it is announced, and the employees of Wall Street firms are returning thanks to Santa Claus for about \$10,000,000 in bonuses.

ITALIAN SKIES SHED SOME OF "THE BEAUTIFUL"

NAPLES, Dec. 22.—The temperature fell suddenly throughout Italy over night and today the mountains surrounding Naples were covered with snow. The outline of the crater of Vesuvius could be seen traced in white. Some little snow fell even in the city of Naples itself. A snowfall here and there is many years since it has been experienced.

SANTA CLAUS VISITS UNLUCKY DEPOSITORS

Home Bank Unfortunates Receive Their First Dividend at Seasonable Moment

VANCOUVER, Dec. 22.—No great rush marked the appearance of Santa Claus at the main branch of the Bank of Montreal this morning, where he put on a special turn for the depositors of the Home Bank. By special arrangements, the Bank of Montreal undertook to pay local depositors of the Home Bank on the basis of twenty-five per cent of their deposits.

The surprising thing was that there was no great rush. Preparations had been made to deal with a heavy demand on the part of the Home Bank depositors, and to assist in the speedy handling of the expected crush, clerks and accountants were placed at tables in the rotunda of the bank. At 10 o'clock there were more than eight or ten Home Bank depositors waiting to establish their claims and get their money.

ACCUSED OFFICIALS INSIST ON INQUIRY

Former Premier of Ancient Colony and Minister Approach Governor-General on Subject

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., Dec. 22.—The Canadian Press has been informed that former Premier Sir Richard Squires, of Newfoundland, and Dr. Alexander Campbell, former Minister of Agriculture and Mines, have personally made representations to His Excellency the Governor-General in respect to the official investigation of the conduct of affairs connected with the Government's proposed Premier Warren in the House of Assembly last Summer. The inquiry is aimed to examine the chain of events that led up to the resignation of Dr. Campbell and Sir Richard Squires last Summer.

DEMAND STANDARD LIVING

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ADS ALTER SANTA CLAUS TRADITION

Children, Reading Advertisements, Think Father Christmas Pilots Aeroplane—Will Use of Familiar Figure as Advocate and User of Great Variety of Merchandise, From Tooth Paste to Books on Etiquette, Mangle Conceptions of Past?

WHEN an advertisement appears in the news showing Santa Claus gliding joyfully over a snow-clad city in an aeroplane and wearing, perhaps, Wing-Loose Eyeglasses, or bearing under his arm Peerless Ham, it may seem harmless enough, but people who think deeply are realizing that such publicity is undermining a tradition.

Centuries have known Santa as a rotund fellow, past middle age, who covers large gobs of territory in one night by means of a sleigh drawn by numerous reindeer, which he drives himself. But the advertisements depicting him as the pilot of an aeroplane are leaving in the minds of some small folks the impression that such is the truth. That the ancient illusion is being thus amended and brought up to date is due, for by the school teachers of this city. Some eminently practical children have refused both the reindeer and the aeroplane theories in favor of marine transportation. Santa, they feel, comes south from the North Pole by boat. Perhaps when Stefansson proves that light in the Polar regions is a practical possibility, they may be willing to agree to Santa using a flying machine.

However, the question of immediate moment is the influence which advertisements are having on the Santa Claus tradition. Kila Kringling, as it was safe to call the old boy in some countries before the era of breakfast foods—is to be seen on the pages of our magazines and newspapers, smiling delightedly over electric chafing dishes, peering into non-stopping washing machines, gesticulating with Mailard fountain pens, guiding a four-cylinder twelve-payment motor car, enjoying a non-bitter water bottle, and otherwise making himself useful to this age of commerce.

The consent of movie actresses must be secured and paid for before

the ladies will declare that Henrietta Blair-Nets are the best they have ever used (with photograph and signature). On the other hand, old Santa is assumed to endorse a huge variety of things without ever being consulted in the matter.

The bit about the actresses is beside the point, which is this: That if some children have, as a result of advertisements, come to believe that Santa Claus drives an aeroplane, is it not equally probable that the young folks will come to believe in time that their friend uses a chafing dish, a washing machine, a motor car, a fountain pen, a hot water bottle, and so on? Can a child be expected to admire an effusive old man, riding like that? Would a fellow who lived at the North Pole be bothered with that sort of stuff?

Children know what Santa looks like. That rotund figure is pretty well standard. His shape, his features and his clothes have stood unaltered through the years. He has ignored the fashions so far. But what if the manufacturers of the Shapely Suit proceed next Christmas to show Kila Kringling as a willowy creature, pressed within the curving confines of a classy cut? And what if the boosters of one of these "thinning down harmoniously" courses depict the old lad as having thrown one hundred and eighty pounds aside within thirty-seven days? And what if he is to be seen wearing a Bronx hat, smoking a Harem cigarette, treating his feet right with Anti-Carbuncle shoes, disporting in his bed-room in a suit of Worsted, riding a Scrambler bicycle, admiring an air gun, solving the Oriental puzzle of mah jong with a European mind, operating a player piano, taking coughdrops and handling silk stockings to a strange lady who is not identified and is therefore suspected? Will the conception of Santa Claus will the child of 1920 have?

ALLEGED BIGAMIST SENT UP FOR TRIAL

Two Women Who Lived With Duncan McKay as His Wives Testify Against Him in Court

Duncan McKay, a young fisherman, formerly of Port Langley, and lately of Lacombe, Alta., was formally committed for trial before Magistrate Jay yesterday on a charge of bigamy. Provincial police officers informed the court that McKay wished to plead guilty, and that he would be taken before Judge Lampman on Monday for speedy trial.

McKay was brought here from Alberta last week by Provincial Constable Robert Owen. The young man was arrested by the Alberta police on the information of his second wife, who alleges that she has only lately discovered the fact of his former marriage. Police officers who have had charge of McKay say he maintains that his second wife knew all about the first marriage when he undertook his second venture in matrimony.

Both wives were present in court yesterday and swore to the fact of their respective marriages with the accused. Josephine Gabrielle McKay, the first wife, said she was married at Port Langley on October 3, 1914. A little girl, the only child of the marriage, accompanied her mother. The first Mrs. McKay is said to be willing to take back her erring spouse. Elizabeth Sophia Georgeson testified that she went through a form of marriage with McKay at Mayne Island Lighthouse, on September 17, 1919. She had lately lived with him at Lacombe, Alberta, where she had discovered the fact of the first marriage, and had charged McKay with bigamy. Mr. Sydney Child appeared for the witness, who described herself as Miss Georgeson. The parties to this triangular episode are of Indian blood.

Peace On Earth and Empty Prison Camps

BELFAST, Dec. 22.—Four hundred prisoners were released from the Free State detention camp at Newbridge today, and a large number from the Curragh camp. There will be further releases of prisoners by the Free State on Monday. It is believed, and it is expected that Christmas morning will find the camps almost empty.

In Perfect Health
COPENHAGEN, Dec. 22.—Rumors of the alleged insanity of ex-Dowager Empress Marie Feodorovna, of Russia, who is in Copenhagen as believed to have been originated by the Bolshevik press agencies. An intimate friend of Marie, who spent an hour with her yesterday, found her in perfect health, bodily and mentally.



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EMBASSY CLERK FORETOLD DEATH IN JAPAN QUAKE

"In less than a month's time I shall be dead," said Mr. Andrew Waddell, clerk at the British Embassy at Tokio to his brother there.

Three weeks later a fissure opened in the road, a few feet from the Embassy door, and swallowed him along with three of his colleagues as they were fleeing from the building.

"It is said that there is a Celt with occult powers, of divination in every language," said Mr. H. S. O. Bennett in telling the story to The Colonist after his arrival from Japan on Friday night on board the Shidzuoka Maru. "Andrew was certainly the Celt of the Waddell family. His brother just escaped a similar fate in the earthquake in the Embassy building for a few seconds after his brother and the others had fled from the door. It was he who told the story to me."

"Andrew's post on the Embassy is still vacant," added Mr. Bennett, who remarked that this incident had impressed him as vividly as any of the episodes described to him when he arrived in Tokio to take charge of a relief station after the earthquake disaster.

After discharging some fifty tons of cargo, the Shidzuoka, sailed for Seattle at 1 o'clock this morning.

COURT ORDERS RETURN OF MR. DAY'S LIQUOR

Police Held on Comfortable Cook Street Residence of Mr. John P. Day was Made by Magistrate Jay in the Police Court Yesterday.

The liquor, which comprised a goodly stock of whisky, brandy, port, wine and champagne, was seized because it was not sealed with the government seal.

The court said there was no reason to doubt the evidence of Mr. Day, who had sworn that he had the liquor before the Liquor Act was passed; that he was absent from the Province when the time expired for the stamping of the containers of such liquor; and that he had reported the liquor to an officer of the board of excise, who had said that nothing would be done about it.

No charge of any sort had been made against Mr. Day, commented the magistrate. The provision for forfeiture of such unsealed liquor was operative only in case of a conviction under the act, the court held; and since Mr. Day had done everything possible to comply with the act he was entitled to have his liquor returned.

Mr. Frank Higgins, K. C., appearing for Mr. Day, said he supposed the Chief of Police, who had seen to the seizure of the liquor, would also see that it was delivered again to its owner. Magistrate Jay intimated that his jurisdiction extended only to the signing of an order for its restitution; and that the details of transfer must be arranged between the police and Mr. Day.

MIGHT WELL ASK "WHOSE LITTLE GERM ARE YOU?"

Certainly there is nothing in any statute which says that a voter must not motion with his lips the pencil he finds in the polling booth in order to register his opinion more emphatically, but neither is there any law which says that worms shall not root where they please.

Hence those who saw the ballots cast at the last municipal elections and realised from the appearance of some of the crows that they had been made with a moistened pencil considered the question hygien-

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Give "Her" a Box of Holeproof Silk Hose \$5.00 Per Box of Three Pairs

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Give Gauntlet Gloves This Xmas

Character could be read into the various types of crosses seen on the ballot papers. There were those made boldly, large in size and heavy in outline. There were others of a marked timidity, giving a modest and perhaps hesitant opinion.

Several people who received ballot papers walked through the curtaining polling booths, apparently did not know what to do, did not like to ask, and so returned to the polling clerks and dropped their unmarked ballots in the box.

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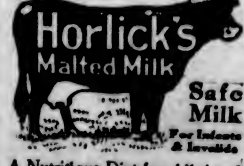
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RAILROAD WAGE SCALE

LONDON, Dec. 22.—It is expected that the award of the railway wages board, which rejected the claims of the companies for the abolition of the sliding scale based on the cost of living, and made minor changes in the wage scale to some engineers, will be accepted by all ranks. The railwaymen's leaders indeed, make no secret of the fact that the men have done very well by the board's award.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Modernists in the Protestant Episcopal Church today declared the pre-holiday sermons they would preach tomorrow would, without exception, be in conformity with the diocesan letter issued by Bishop William T. Manning, asking that a truce be observed in the international controversy until after the Christmas holidays.



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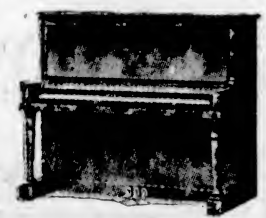
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ISLAND MILLS OUT FOR EXPORT

Lack of Transshipping Facilities to Ogden Point Hinder the Movement of Lumber Through Victoria

TAKING ADVANTAGE OF SPECIAL RATES

Desirability of Ferry Slip at Esquimalt Is Urged at Conference of Operators Held in This City

ISLAND lumber men, largely representative of small mills established recently throughout the lower portion of the Island, conferred at the Chamber of Commerce yesterday morning in furtherance of plans to facilitate movement of export lumber through Victoria. Although it was not in any sense a meeting between the railways and the millmen, representatives of both the Canadian National and the E. & N. were present and were enabled to make by the railways not long ago for a certain period to encourage this movement. The mills had taken advantage of it and had shipped fully as much lumber as had been expected. They were now anxious that the rate should be made permanent, instead of being increased, as was regarded as possible.

Another subject on which the timber men were in agreement was the desirability of the installation of shipping facilities at Victoria, or in

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its vicinity. Lumber must under present conditions be trucked through the city from the railway depots to the piers at Ogden Point at a minimum cartage rate of \$1.50 per load, an expense that made export shipment almost prohibitive to these small mills. If a slip could be built at Esquimalt, enabling lumber to be loaded there from E. & N. cars into scows, and scowed thence to Ogden Point, and another at the Canadian National terminals at Point Ellice for the same purpose, both the export movement promoted. At the present time, the millmen said, it was impossible to move lumber out of Esquimalt at all in the absence of facilities there for handling lumber from car to scow or ship.

SCENE ON WHARF IS MOST VIOLENT

STEVEDORE SAYS DEFENDANT PUSHED HIM OFF

But Even That Is Nothing to Language Used According to Evidence Given in Police Court

Stirring events followed each other in lively succession at the wharf of the Canadian Pacific South Timber Company, about eight o'clock yesterday morning, according to stories told in the police court yesterday.

Mr. Scott, Norman E. Scott, stevedore, made oath, and said that Mr. James Gasby, striking longshoreman, had used the said wharf for the malicious purpose of pushing him (Mr. Scott) off.

Mr. James Gasby denied this with so much heat that Magistrate Jay thought that Mr. Gasby had been led away to the cool section of police cells, until next Monday, when light as well as heat might be generated by the relation of things done and said.

Truth Is Mighty

"Why don't you tell the truth and nothing but the truth," asked Mr. Gasby of Constable Tom Palmer, when that officer had told how he arrested Mr. Gasby. "That's what you're paid for," added Mr. Gasby; "and why couldn't you let me have a drink out of one of my own bottles of beer?"

The circumstance of the three bottles of beer found by Constable Palmer in the pockets of Mr. Gasby ranked in Mr. Gasby's mind. It seemed that the constable went down to the wharf and found three men holding Mr. Gasby. They said Mr. Gasby had pushed Mr. Scott off the wharf. They said also that Mr. Gasby had said, when they pulled Mr. Scott out of the harbor, that Mr. Scott ought to be hanged, if he could not be drowned.

More Pushers Than One

"Some of the most violent language I ever heard," was Constable Palmer's description to the court of Mr. Gasby's language when he was arrested. When the constable went on to tell how Mr. Gasby had admitted the pushing-in of Mr. Scott, Mr. Gasby undertook to show the court just what he could do in the way of violent language; and the court thought that the matter must be adjourned until Mr. Gasby could return in a more judicial frame of mind.

"Don't you be a pusher, neither," was Mr. Gasby's parting shot, as he was led away by Constable Andrew Wood.

SHOPPERS THROUG BUSINESS SECTION

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cars was at a premium.

All day long the big departmental stores were crowded with Christmas buyers, and when closing time arrived, at 10 o'clock, the clerks were glad to call it a day.

"It's been one strenuous day, believe me," said one of the clerks of the Hudson's Bay Company store while waiting on about ten customers at the same time. She had charge of one of the novelty departments. "I didn't know there were so many people in Victoria."

Another of the "busiest" spots in the city was at the postoffice. A steady stream of people entered and left the building all day, and thousands of letters and telegrams were dispatched. Postmaster Bishop stated last night that between 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon and 4:30 o'clock, 4,300 letters had passed through the stamping machines.

Government liquor stores in the city were patronized almost without pause during the entire day, and many cheerfully gurgling parcels were borne away. One shopper, terrible to relate, met with an accident just after leaving the store in the Belmont Building. The parcel slipped from under his arm and fell on the sidewalk, with disastrous consequences. His Arabic was perfect. "With my luck," he was heard to mutter, "I'd get all clawed up. If I went near a field of dandelions."

Steelhead Salmon Fishing Commences On December 21

NEW WESTMINSTER, Dec. 22.—Inspector A. P. Haldiday, of the Dominion Fisheries Service here, has received intimation that salmon fishing will open for steelheads on Monday next, December 24.

This is a week earlier than usual, opening as a rule being on January 1.

But steelheads are reported to be running unusually early and the run is heavy so far. Regulations provide that the six and one-half inch mesh net or larger must be used.

DIES IN KETCHIKAN

Word has reached this city of the death in Ketchikan, Alaska, on the 8th inst., of Rufus Judson Davis, superintendent of the New England Fish Company. He had caught a heavy cold while there on business for his company, which developed into pneumonia, and he passed away after an illness of but two days. He was a past master of Tacoma Lodge No. 22, A. F. and A. M. and belonged to the Affin Shrine Temple. He is survived by his widow and son, A. A. Davis, who was connected with the B. C. Telephone Co. in this city until 1918.

Among the industries in the United States the production of motor vehicles now stands third. More than 400,000 vehicles are directly dependent on it for livelihood.

Under the Clock

City Hall Activities in Brief

Victoria's private bill, as passed by the Legislature this week, stands largely as it did when it first went before the Private Bills Committee. The provision in regard to increasing licensing fees, which, as a matter of fact, never actually got into the bill, was turned down. The request for the right of the Court of Revision to consider appeals by districts instead of in the order received, was not granted in the city's bill, as it was felt that it was a change which should be included in the Municipal Act. Whether, after being stricken from the private bill, it was inserted in the Municipal Act, has not yet been ascertained at the City Hall. The move of the city to have the Willows fair grounds made part of Victoria failed. There were also a few minor amendments to the bill. The city employees received their cheques on Friday, so that they might be reinforced for their Christmas shopping.

The City Hall will be closed on Monday afternoon to give the employees a chance to do their Christmas shopping.

There will be no meeting of the City Council on Monday evening. The amusements Centre By-Law will be voted on next Saturday, and if passed by the ratepayers, it will be finally passed by the Council, this necessitating a meeting either Saturday night or the following Monday night.

OBITUARIES

ARTHUR—There passed away on Friday at the Jubilee Hospital, Elizabeth Hewitson, beloved wife of Mr. Harry W. Arthur, of 1925 Ash Street. The late Mrs. Arthur was born at Formosa, Japan, and was in her fifth year, and had resided in Victoria with her family for the past four years. She was a sister of Mr. Harry Hastings. The remains are resting at the B.C. Funeral Chapel, where services will be conducted on Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, and will be laid to rest in Royal Oak Burial Park.

WALKER—The funeral of Mr. Walter Walker has been arranged to take place from the B.C. Funeral Chapel on Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. Dr. W. G. Wilson officiating. Interment will be made in the family plot at Ross Bay Cemetery.

ARTHUR—Mrs. Elizabeth Hewitson Arthur, of 1925 Ash Street, wife of Mr. H. W. Arthur, Tyee Siding, died at the Jubilee Hospital on Friday. She leaves to mourn her loss, besides her husband, four children, Annie, Betty, Ivy and William, all attending school in Victoria; and four brothers, Messrs. Harry Hastings, of Victoria; Chas. E. and Robert J. Hastings, of Tyee Siding, and Paul E. Hastings, of Federated Malay States; and three sisters, Miss W. M. Hastings, of Victoria, and the Misses Bertha W. and Dorothy E. Hastings, of Tyee Siding. The funeral will take place from the B. C. Funeral Parlors on Monday, the 24th inst., at 2:30 p.m. Interment at Royal Oak Burial Park.

Packing Christmas Hampers—Friday was a busy day at the I.O.O.F. headquarters, Hamley Building, when a number of the members, under the leadership of Mrs. Curtis Sampson, Regent of Municipal Chapter, assisted by the Rev. A. de B. Owen, Mr. Owen, and Mr. Neame, packed nineteen Christmas hampers for families of returned soldiers.

DOMINION LODGE, NO. 4, I.O.O.F.

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PRINCESS HAIDER TO GIVE RECITAL TODAY

Scion of Royal House of Syria Will Give Presentation at Centennial Methodist Church



PRINCESS RAHME HAIDER
Whose visit to Victoria has caused no small stir of interest in her, appears today at the Centennial Methodist Church in her exceptionally clever dramatization.

This afternoon, Princess Rahme Haider will give a lecture recital at the Centennial Methodist Church, on "Palestine, the Land of Mysticism," and this evening will give her own rendition of "Ruth and Naomi," an impressive dramatization of the beautiful idyllic love story, with an elaborate Biblical wedding. She will be assisted by Mademoiselle Lucille Burgess.

Princess Rahme Haider, who traces her lineage back through the Biblical records, is a woman of exceptionally brilliant mentality, which, combined with her natural charm of manner, wins for her a very wide circle of admirers. The Princess, after studying at Baalbek, and at the American Presbyterian schools at Sidon and Beirut, came to this continent for further education, with the intention of shortly returning to her home in the East. She was, however, encouraged, and finally persuaded, by some of the finest scholars and preachers of America, to take up platform work, for which she is singularly suited, and to enlighten the Western people regarding the manners, customs, ideals and aspirations of those of Egypt and of the Holy Land.

Dramatizes the Bible
With this objective in view, Princess Haider set herself the excessively difficult task of reproducing and dramatizing Biblical stories and incidents which might readily be understood and appreciated by people of the Western World. This gifted artist has been aptly termed "Interpreter of Oriental Thought," and her works are most highly regarded by those who have had the privilege of studying her talented efforts. The works of Princess Haider have been copyrighted, and it is the intention of a Canadian company to shortly produce the dramatizations on the silver screen with the Princess herself in the stellar role.

The recitals are further enhanced by Oriental music, in ancient Syrian airs, rendered by Mlle. Lucille Burgess, who has herself most skillfully transposed the airs of the Oriental folk songs and music from the instruments used in the East to the piano, on which she gives the finishing touches to the artistic undertaking.

Princess Haider travels with six trunks full of the most fascinating and elaborate costumes. She appears in her rich and varied her recitals. The dresses are an wonderfully beautiful that when Princess Haider recently visited Hollywood, the famous stars of the screen and the stage, who have been most skillfully transposed the airs of the Oriental folk songs and music from the instruments used in the East to the piano, on which she gives the finishing touches to the artistic undertaking.

Feet at Hollywood
While in California, Princess Haider appeared at an immense reception given in honor of the Supreme Wifedom of the Sheroes by the Hollywood White Shrine, No. 10, Order of the White Shrine of Jerusalem. Many flattering accounts of the program, which evoked the pleasure of the shrines at the Princess' recital.

Tomorrow Princess Haider leaves for Calgary, and will continue her transcontinental tour to Montreal, and then to England, and later to Palestine and Egypt. Undoubtedly the Centennial Methodist Church will be crowded to capacity this afternoon and evening, when the last opportunity of attending the Princess' recital may be enjoyed.

Social & Personal

Surprise Party

A very enjoyable surprise party took place on Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mackay, McNair Street, in honor of their silver wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Mackay were presented with several useful pieces of silverware. A very pleasant evening was spent in vocal and instrumental music and dancing. There were present, Mr. and Mrs. Buckler, Mr. and Mrs. Davies, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Macdonald, Mrs. McGregor, Mr. and Mrs. J. McLeod, Mr. and Mrs. McQueen, Mr. and Mrs. A. Macdonald, Mr. and Mrs. D. McCaig, Miss Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. M. Macdonald, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. MacKenzie, Mr. and Mrs. D. McKee, Mr. and Mrs. J. McNeil, Mr. and Mrs. R. MacKenzie and others.

Host at Children's Party

Little Miss Valerie Robinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Robinson, entertained at a delightful children's party yesterday at her home on Foster Street, in honor of Master Gerald Bradshaw. During the afternoon the children were visited by Father Christmas, who brought gifts for all, and later tea was served.

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The rooms were charmingly arranged with Christmas decorations, and among those present were Masters Stewart Ross, Billy Brodigan, Ian MacPherson, Mimes Thibault, Reicher, Anne and Barbara Becton, Cynthia Musgrave, Masters Hugh and Gordon Ford, Peter Tunnard.

Back From South
Mr. Max Leiser has returned to the city after a three weeks' trip to California. He did not continue his trip as far as Los Angeles, but says that everywhere he went in the south there were evidences of expansion. Building was general in all the central, and with this, of course, went general business development.

Hosts at Bridge and Mals Jong
Last evening Colonel and Mrs. Peters entertained at their home at Esquimalt in honor of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hroy, of Vancouver, at five tables of bridge and mals jong.

Visiting Portland
Mrs. D. J. Clark, of Devonshire House, left on the afternoon boat yesterday for Portland, where she is being met by her husband to spend the Christmas holidays with him.

Goes to Vancouver
Mr. James Morton, secretary to the Hon. the Premier, left last night for Vancouver, where he will spend the Christmas holidays.

Visiting in France
Doctor Peter A. Sweeney is the guest of his sister, Mrs. Robert T. Colquhoun, 2825 Union Street, San Francisco, Cal.

AUXILIARY MEETS

SIDNEY, Dec. 21.—The W. A. of R. Andrews and Holy Trinity Churches, met on Wednesday afternoon, at the home of the president, Mrs. R. Gwynne, Ardmore Grange. Mrs. A. Murray, St. Andrew's Ladies' secretary, reported having sent a parcel of clothing to the Columbia Coast Mis-

sion. Mrs. C. Ward and Mrs. A. Howman were appointed delegates to attend the W. A. Conference to be held in Victoria during January. The Howman was appointed delegates to was served by Mrs. Gwynne and a pleasant social hour was spent.

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Shelled Jordan Almonds, extra selected, per lb. **80¢**
 Finest Quality Valencia Almonds, per lb. **45¢**
 New Season's Smyrna Figs, per lb. **40¢, 45¢ and 50¢**
 Golden Hollow Dates, lb. **35¢**
 Finest Fard Table Dates, lb. **35¢**
 Dromedary Dates, per packet, **25¢**
 Finest Quality Imported Cluster Raisins, per packet, **40¢, 50¢ and 60¢**
 Libby's Moist Mince, Royal seal, **50¢**
 Genuine Prime Russian Caviar, per tin, **85¢ and \$1.50**
 Halford's Indian Curried Lobster, per tin, **\$1.25**
 Halford's Delicious Curried Crab, per tin, **\$1.00**
 O-Port-O, greatly resembles Port Wine, per bottle, **85¢**
 Fine Quaker Ginger Wine, per bottle, **45¢**
 Rose's Lime Juice, large bot., **90¢**
 Rose's Lime Juice Cordial, per bottle, **95¢**
 Christie's Muskoka Assorted Biscuits, per tin, **95¢**
 Peck, Frean & Company's Rich Assorted Biscuits, per tin, **95¢**
 Huntley & Palmer's Assorted Biscuits, per tin, **95¢**
 Huntley & Palmer's Noel Mixed Biscuits, per tin, **95¢**

PROVISIONS

Swift's Premium Hams, 8 to 10 lbs., per lb. **38¢**
 Prime Mild Cured Hams, 12 to 14 lbs., per lb. **34¢**



Extra Selected Turkeys, per lb. **28¢ and 30¢**
 Milk Fed Roasting Chickens, per lb. **30¢**
 Locally Raised Geese, per lb. **30¢**
 Fine Quality Boiling Fowl, per lb. **30¢**
 Genuine French Roquefort Cheese, per lb. **35¢**
 Finest Imported Gorgonzola Cheese, per lb. **30¢**
 Finest Imported English Stilton, per lb. **30¢**
 Prime Old Canadian Cheese, per lb. **35¢**
 Canadian Kraft Loaf Cheese, per lb. **35¢**
 Canadian Kraft Pimento Cheese, per lb. **45¢**

FRUIT AND VEGETABLES
 New Navel Oranges, per dozen, **25¢, 35¢, 50¢ and 60¢**
 Fancy Jap Oranges, per box, **45¢**
 Choice Almeria Grapes, lb. **25¢**
 Red Emperor Grapes, per lb. **25¢**
 Fine Large Ripe Bananas, per dozen, **60¢**
 Extra Fancy Dessert Apples, 3 lbs. for **25¢**
 Finest Cape Cod Cranberries, per lb. **25¢**
 Special Mixture Choice New Nuts, per lb. **30¢**
 New Season's Mixed Nuts, per lb. **20¢**
 California Soft Shelled Walnuts, per lb. **35¢**
 Fancy Budded Walnuts, lb. **50¢**
 Brussels Sprouts, Spinach, Cauliflower, Cabbage, Parsnips, Carrots, Sweet Potatoes, Parsley, Thyme and Sage. —Lower Main Floor

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 Mahogany finish, Price, **\$2.25**
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 Lamp Shades
\$5.00 to \$26.50
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 Mahogany finish, From **\$8.00**
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 Children's Hardwood Rockers
 Price **\$2.50**
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 Price **\$10.75**
 Mahogany Upholstered Footstools
 Price **\$5.00 to \$21.00**
 Mahogany Parlor Tables
 Price **\$9.75**
 Walnut Parlor Tables
 Price **\$24.50**
 Royal Easy Chairs
 Price **\$45.00** —4th Floor

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H. B. C. Special Christmas Mixture, per lb. **30¢**
 H. B. C. Holly and Mistletoe Mixture, per lb. **30¢**
 H. B. C. Special Assorted Chocolates, per lb. **40¢**
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 Christmas Chocolates, in fancy boxes, **\$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$4.00, \$6.50 and \$7.50**
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 Cowan's Milk Chocolate Ginger, per lb. **35¢**
 Cowan's Milk Chocolate Bars, per box **35¢**
 Ganong's Wrapped Chocolates, in holly wrapped five-pound boxes, each **\$3.75**
 Tobler's Swiss Milk Chocolate, in assorted tablets, suitable for children's stockings, per packet, **25¢**
 Rowntree's Toy Boats, filled with English Toffee, each **50¢** —Main Floor

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Camel Hair Sports Jackets
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 Leather Collar Boxes, each **\$2.00**
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 Linen Handkerchiefs, 5 in a box **\$2.00**
 Silk-Lined Grey Suede Gloves, per pair **\$2.00**
 Tan Cape Gloves, at, per pair **\$2.00**
 Wool Socks, English knit, in all shades, 3 pairs for **\$2.00**
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 "Eveready" Flashlights, at each **\$2.00**
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 See our Christmas display of Men's and Boys' English Imported Felt Gift Slippers. Prices **\$1.75 to \$3.50**
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 Leather turn soles and leather bound uppers, Everest style. Per pair **\$1.75**
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 Containing a large variety of colored cottons, needles, scissors, etc. Prices **\$2.95 and \$4.50**

Wicker Work Baskets
 With leatherette tops, neatly lined and fitted with assorted colored spools, scissors, needles, bodkins, etc. Prices, **\$3.95, \$6.95 and \$7.50**

Japanese Wicker Work Baskets
 Lined with silk painted in Japanese designs; in shades of Royal blue, sky, rose, mauve, etc. Prices, **\$2.50, \$5.50, \$4.75 and \$7.50**

Round Shape Wicker Baskets
 With satin covered tops and drawstring. Prices **\$4.50 and \$5.50** —Main Floor

Boxed Stationery

Assorted Boxed Stationery
 Including cards, notepaper and envelopes. Large size **\$6.50**

Large Size Boxed Stationery
 Assorted sizes in box. Per box **\$5.00**

Stationery
 Notepaper, envelopes and correspondence cards; assorted colors. Per box **\$2.75**

Boxed Stationery
 Assorted colors, notepaper, envelopes and correspondence cards. Box **\$3.50**

Boxed Stationery
 2 quires notepaper and envelopes, lined with pink, blue or mauve. Box **\$1.95 and \$3.95**

Gift Edge Correspondence Cards and Envelopes
 Per box **95¢**

Eaton, Crane and Pike's Stationery Box
\$5.00 and \$1.25

Highland Linen Lawn Stationery
 24 sheets of notepaper and 24 envelopes. Per box **75¢** —Main Floor

Special Turkey Dinner at \$1.00

CHRISTMAS EVE FROM 6 TO 8:30

Orchestra in attendance. Make your reservations now. Phone 1670.

Full Course 50c Luncheon Served from 11:30 to 2:30.

Afternoon Tea from 3:15 to 5:45.

Orchestra. Afternoon and Evening —Restaurant, 5th Floor



Big Doll Special for Monday

This is a reserve special for the last day of Christmas selling: 300 Handsome, Fully Dressed Dolls, seventeen inches high, long curly hair, sleeping eyes and eyelashes. This doll would be exceptional value at \$2.75. Monday Special, as long as **\$1.95**

Monday Morning Toy Special

12-Inch Teddy Bears, made from good quality brown plush, movable arms and legs. Values to \$1.50. Special Monday Morning 9 to 11:30 or as long as quantity lasts. **98¢**

Toys for Boys

Scouters **\$2.50 to \$5.00**
 Kiddie Karts **\$2.25 and \$3.25**
 Beautiful Rocking Horses, **\$5.95 to \$21.50**
 Meccano **\$3.00 to \$15.00**
 Magic Lanterns, **\$2.50 to \$4.50**
 Trains on Tracks, **\$1.50 to \$7.50**
 Mechanical Toys in great variety, autos, fire trucks, steam engines, ducks, turtles, **25¢ to \$2.95**
 Musical Instruments, Horns, Mouth Organs, Etc. **\$1.95 to \$1.95**
 Violins and Gong Toys, **\$1.00 to \$1.95**
 Games of Every Description, **15¢ to \$2.50**
 Mechanical Birds in Cages, Boats, Clowns and Trick Dogs, **50¢ to \$1.95**
 Books of All Kinds, **15¢ to \$3.50**
 Sandy Andy Toys, **95¢ to \$1.75** —Lower Main Floor

Toys for Girls

Dolls' Trunks, **\$2.95 to \$6.50**
 Sewing Sets **15¢ to \$2.50**
 Toy Dishes **15¢ to \$1.75**
 Toy Furniture Sets, **\$1.00 to \$2.75**
 Toy Carpet Sweepers **50¢ to \$2.50**
 Kindergarten Sets **\$3.50 to \$4.50**
 Toy Laundry Sets **\$1.50 to \$4.50**
 Doll Buggies, **\$2.75 to \$15.00**
 Stuffed Animals **10¢ to 95¢**
 Animal Gong Toys on Wheels, **75¢ to \$3.50**
 Performing Bears. A last shipment of these wonderful toys. They play drums, saw wood, dance and do everything but talk, **\$1.75 to \$5.95** —Lower Main Floor

Monday Morning Special

DOWN COMFORTERS
 Covered in excellent quality downproof, cambric and well filled with down and ventilated. Morning Special, 9 to 11:30 **\$8.98** —Main Floor

Gift Hose For Children

Silk Socks
 In pink, white and blue; sizes 2 to 6 years. Per pair **75¢**

All-Wool Hose
 In 4-1 rib, in black only; all sizes. Per pair **75¢**

Three-Quarter Wool Socks
 In white, brown and black; all sizes. Per pair **75¢**

Golf Hose
 With fancy mixture, turn-down tops. All sizes. Per pair **75¢**

All-Wool Hose
 In 4-1 rib, assorted colors; all sizes. Per pair, according to size, **50¢, 65¢, 75¢, 95¢** —Main Floor

Santa Claus

At home to the children, Monday, from 10 to 12 a.m. and 3 to 5 p.m. Toy Town, —Lower Main Floor

Store Remains Open Monday CLOSED ALL DAY

Dainty Silk Lingerie

Gowns, Step-Ins and Envelope Chemises of silk have a fascination for every woman. Here are garments of the finest quality silk, tempting styles and attractively priced.

Kayser Silk Vests, Knickers and Combinations

In white, flesh, orchid, beige, navy and black.

Vests **\$3.50, \$3.75 to \$4.75**

Knickers **\$4.50, \$5.25 and \$5.95**

Combinations **\$6.75**

Crepe de Chine and Wash Satin Envelope Chemises

In orchid, peach, flesh and sky. Prices, **\$3.95, \$4.50, \$4.95 to \$8.50**

Crepe de Chine and Satin Nightgowns

In flesh, orchid, peach, sky and white. Prices, **\$6.95, \$8.50, \$9.50, \$10.50 to \$17.50**

Crepe de Chine Vests and Step-Ins

In flesh, orchid and peach. Per garment, **\$5.95 to \$9.50**

English Artificial Silk Knickers

In grey, navy and black. Price **\$3.98** —2nd Floor

Dainty Gift Blouses

Tailored Silk Blouses

In Jap, Habutai and pongee silk. Prices, **\$4.50, \$5.50, \$6.50 to \$8.50**

Crepe de Chine and Canton Crepe Over-Blouses

Handsomely embroidered or beaded; all the new shades. Prices, **\$5.95, \$6.50, \$7.95 to \$23.00**

Smart Jacquettas

In crepe de Chine, Canton crepe and vellavella. A variety of pleasing designs. Prices, **\$13.95, \$16.50 to \$18.95** —2nd Floor

Dainty Gifts for Baby

Bonnets

In silk, satin and bearskin; embroidered or trimmed with satin bows. Prices, **\$1.25 to \$4.50**

Shortening Coats

In chinchilla, corduroy velvet and bearskin; straight style or with bell and round collar. Prices, **\$3.50, \$4.75, \$4.95 and \$5.95**

Shortening Dresses

In dainty lawns, lace trimmed and embroidered. Prices, **\$1.25 to \$4.50**

Celluloid Rattles and Toys

Brush and Comb Sets, Teething Rings, Etc. Prices, **50¢ to \$1.50**

Wool Jackets

In crochit or hand-knit. Prices, **\$1.25, \$1.95, \$2.25 and \$2.75**

Quilts

Satin Quilts embroidered in pastel shades or plain. Prices, **\$2.50 to \$3.50** —2nd Floor

Monday Morning Apron Special

Smart little Sewing Aprons, in factory cotton, large novelty pocket in bright colored chintz; also Tea Aprons in fine quality muslin trimmed with lace insertion and lace edging. Values to 50c. Morning Special, **29¢** 9 to 11:30 —2nd Floor

Hemstitched Embroidered Pillow Cases

Made from heavy linen finished cotton and neatly embroidered in many charming designs. Value \$1.95. Morning Special, **\$1.50** 9 to 11:30. Pair —Main Floor

Camisoles Boudoir Caps and Tea Aprons

Dainty Camisoles

In silk, wash satin and crepe de Chine, daintily trimmed with white, flesh, orchid, sand, brown, navy and black. Prices, **\$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.95, \$3.50 to \$4**

Novelty Aprons

In factory cotton, chintz, black, sateen. Prices, **50¢ to \$1**

Boudoir Caps

In floral muslin, crepe de Chine, wash satin; in shades. Prices, **50¢, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2 to \$4**

Tea Aprons

In a large variety of styles, in voile, muslin, organdy; in white and a sortment of pretty colors. Prices, **65¢, 75¢, \$1 to \$2** —2nd

Women's Dressing Gowns and Kimonos

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CONNECTING ALL DEPARTMENTS

From the Store of a Million Gifts

Evening Until Half-Past Nine
AND WEDNESDAY



Gift Handkerchiefs For Women and Children

altase Lace Edge Linen or Silk andkerchiefs. \$1.00 to \$2.50
men Embroidered Handkerchiefs. White or colors. Prices. 50¢, 75¢ and \$1.00
White or Colored Linen Handkerchiefs. Hemstitched borders. 35¢
colored Linen or White Embroidered Linen Handkerchiefs. 3 in a box. Per box. \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50
colored Chiffon Handkerchiefs. With scalloped borders. At each 25¢
colored Crepe de Chine Handkerchiefs. Oriental designs. Each. 50¢ and 65¢
ish Linen Handkerchiefs. With initials. Each. 35¢ and 50¢
children's Handkerchiefs in Boxes. 3 in a box, assorted, with embroidered corners. Per box. 20¢, 35¢ and 50¢
children's White Lawn Handkerchiefs. With colored borders. Price, each. 5¢
children's Printed Cambric Handkerchiefs. With small embroidered designs. Each. 10¢
—Main Floor



Gift Umbrellas

ambrie Covered Umbrellas. Steel ribs and strong frame. From \$2.75
loria Covered Umbrellas. Steel frame, round and straight handles. \$6.50
ood Silk Imitation Covered mbrellas. Strong steel frame, assorted covers. \$7.75
J-Silk Covered Umbrellas. In black and colors, assorted handles. \$10.00
lk Covered Umbrellas. Strong steel frame, assorted handles. \$12.50
CHILDREN'S UMBRELLAS. ambrie Covered Umbrellas. 18-Inch size, assorted handles. Price \$1.95
edium Size Umbrellas. Assorted handles. \$1.50
mall Size Umbrellas. Good frame and strong cover. Price \$1.00
—Main Floor

Novelty Hair Combs and Pins

ancy Combs. Suitable for evening wear. In fancy designs, set with rhinestones and green and blue stones. Prices. \$3.25, \$4.50 and \$5.00
aque Combs. In various designs, set with white, green and blue stones. Prices. 55¢, 75¢, \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$2.00
agger Pins. In shell and grey, in three sizes. Set with white, green and blue stones. Prices. 50¢, 75¢, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$2.25
rench Jet Spanish Combs. Barrettes in dainty designs and Back Combs, suitable for evening wear. Prices. \$2.75, \$3.75, \$3.95, \$4.25 and \$7.50
—Main Floor

Monday Morning Special

BATHROBE BLANKETS. All ready to make up into a cozy Bathrobe, complete with neck cord, girdle and frogs. Morning Special, 9 to 11:30. \$5.98
—Main Floor

Women's Neckwear In Dainty Gift Boxes

Tuxedo Collars. In net and lace. At \$1.00 to \$1.95
Bramley Collars and Cuff Sets. In filet and net. Price, per set. \$1.75 to \$2.50
Bertha Collars. In white and cream, net embroidered. Priced at \$1.95 to \$3.50
Cascade Veneers. With attached collar. Priced at \$1.95 to \$4.50
Cascades in Voiles and Net. \$1.95 to \$4.50
Beaded Evening Scarves. Assorted colors. At \$12.50 to \$27.50
Feather Ruffs. In white and white and black. \$5.95 to \$14.50
Marabou Capes and Stoles. \$5.75 to \$19.50
Scotch Wool Scarves. In soft shades, excellent quality. \$6.75
—Main Floor



Christmas Gloves

Cape Skin Gauntlet Gloves. Heavy embroidered points, in brown, mode and grey. Per pair. \$4.95
Cape Skin Novelty Gloves. Pull-over style with fancy cuffs, in mode. Pair, \$4.50
Cape Skin Novelty Gloves. Pull-over style, embroidered points, in brown, beaver and grey. At, per pair. \$3.95
Cape Skin Novelty Gloves. Turn-back cuffs, in grey, brown and beaver. Per pair at \$3.50
English-Made Cape Skin Gloves. In tan only. Per pair, \$2.25
Hudsonia Kid Gloves. Best make. Per pair. \$2.50
Empress Kid Gloves. With two dome fasteners. Per pair. \$3.00
Empress Suede Gloves. Silk lined. Per pair, \$3.50
—Main Floor

Women's Gift Hose

All-Wool Hose. English m. d. c. wide tops. Per pair at \$1.25
Novelty Cashmere Hose. All shades and sizes. Per pair at \$1.50
Mixed Coating Wool Hose. All sizes. Pair. \$1.00
Imperial Cashmere Hose. Black only. Per pair. \$1.50
Morley's Novelty Cashmere Hose. In checks and stripes. Per pair. \$2.50
Pure Thread Silk Hose. All shades. Per pair, \$2.00
Pure Thread Silk Hose. With pointed heel. Per pair. \$2.00
Pure Thread Silk Hose. With contrasting colored clocks. Per pair. \$2.50
Pure Thread Silk Hose. Full fashioned, in black and colors. Per pair. \$2.75
Glove Silk Hose. Plain and fancy. Pair, \$2.95
Satin Stripe Silk Hose. Per pair. \$3.00
Pure Thread Silk Hose. Per pair. \$4.50
—Main Floor

Monday Evening Special 7 to 8 o'clock

WOMEN'S BEAD NECKLACES. Fine Graded Beads with pendant and drop beads, in blue, jade and royal; strongly strung. Value \$2.00. Evening Hour Special. 99c
—Main Floor

A Morning Special in Underskirts

"British make," strong quality Moire Skirts, knife pleated frill, in shades of rose, grey, cerise and paddy. Floral Taffete Underskirts with accordion pleated frill, elastic fitted waistband, in black only, with neat floral pattern in attractive colors. Values to \$2.40. Monday Morning Special, 9 to 11:30. \$1.39
—2nd Floor

Tablecloths and Napkins

Fully Bleached Damask Cloths, made from heavy cotton yarns, in many pleasing designs. Size 58 by 58. Price. \$1.49
Size 64 by 64. Price. \$1.95
Size 70 by 70. Price. \$2.50
Size 70 by 88. Price. \$2.95
Napkins, per dozen. \$3.25
—Main Floor

Parcel Wrapping Desk

On the Mezzanine floor where paper, twine, etc., may be obtained free of charge.

Suggestions in Sporting Goods

Pocket Ben Watches, for the boy \$2.00
Boothalls. \$2.00, \$2.25, \$3.35
Boys' Boxing Gloves, set. \$4.50
Men's Boxing Gloves, set. \$15.00
Roller Skates. \$2.00 to \$4.25
Boys' Ice Skates. \$1.50 to \$2.50
Women's and Men's Skates. \$3.50 to \$6.50
Boys' Hockey Sticks. 50¢, 75¢ and \$1.00
Flashlights. \$1.70 to \$5.00
Auto-Stop Razors, per set. \$5.00 to \$16.50
Gillette Razor Blade Sharpeners at \$2.50
Pocket Knives, for boys, men and women. \$2.50 to \$11.95
Golf Balls, all best makes, at, per dozen. \$5.00 to \$9.00
Hudson's Bay Special Balls, per dozen. \$8.00
Genuine Thermos Bottles, in nickel cases. Value \$2.50 for \$1.95
Value \$3.50 for \$2.95
Value \$4.50 for \$3.50
—Lower Main Floor

Drapery Department Suggestions

Cretone Table Covers. Priced at \$1.25 to \$1.50
Tapestry Figured Cushion Tops at \$1.25
Chintz Cushions. \$1.25
Cretone Covered Cushions priced at \$2.50
Silk Chesterfield Cushions, \$8.50
Silk Cushions, round shape, priced at \$11.50
Tapestry Archway Curtains, per pair. \$5.95
Tapestry Table Covers, size 60 x 60. \$2.25
—2nd Floor

Inexpensive Gifts From Our Carpet Section

Rissell's Carpet Sweepers. \$5.50
Axminster Hearthrugs at \$3.75
Oval Pleated Rugs at \$11.50
English Wool Rugs at \$5.75
Monair Rugs, size 24 by 48, \$6.25
Mohair Rugs, size 36 by 72, priced at \$13.50
Rissell's Vacuum Sweepers priced at \$13.75
Sheepskin Door Mats at \$5.50
Sheepskin Rugs. \$17.50
Axminster Door Mats. \$1.39
Wilton Door Mats. \$3.95
Chenille Rugs, for bedrooms, size 21 by 36, at \$3.50
—3rd Floor

Men's Dressing Gowns, House Jackets and Fancy Vests

Men's Wool Dressing Gowns, in smart light fawn and grey shades. Collars with contrasting colors. \$9.50, \$13.95, and \$18.95
Men's Camel Wool Dressing Gowns, English manufacture; natural camel shade. Priced at \$18.95
Men's House Coats, in fawn and light grey trimmed with cord. Priced at each \$7.95
Men's English Wool Fancy Vests. \$6.50 and \$8.00
Men's Bathrobes. \$8.50, \$9.00 and \$12.50
—Main Floor

Cigars and Cigarettes

Cigars. Legion of Honor, Robert Burns Invincible, High Life Invincible, Nobleman Superiors, Roosevelt, El Dora Majestics and Tuckett's, Preferred Perfecto Cigars, in boxes containing 25 cigars. Per box, \$3.50
Cigarettes. Players Navy Cut Cigarettes in Christmas packets, containing 100 cigarettes for \$1.70
Millbank Cigarettes in Christmas packets, containing 100 for \$1.40
—Main Floor

Monday Evening Special

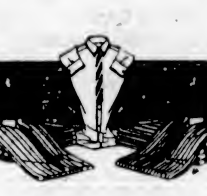
MEN'S FANCY CASHMERE SOCKS. All English Knit Cashmere, in novelty shades and designs. An opportunity for you to replenish your own stock. Sizes 9 1/2 to 11 1/2. Evening hour special, 9 to 9:30, per pair. 50c
—Main Floor

Gifts You Can Buy for One Dollar FOR HER

French Ivory Soap Boxes for \$1.00
French Ivory Photo Frames for \$1.00
French Ivory Perfume Bottle and Holder Complete \$1.00
French Ivory Collapsible Drinking Cups \$1.00
Wool Gauntlet Gloves, per pair \$1.00
Gift Paperettes \$1.00
Novelty Earrings, per pair \$1.00
Convertible Shopping Bags for \$1.00
Hand-Colored Photo Calendars \$1.00
French Beaded Vanity Bags for \$1.00
Leather Change Purses for \$1.00
Colgate's Compacts \$1.00
Perfume Sprays \$1.00
Bath Crystals \$1.00
Eau de Cologne, per bottle for \$1.00
Boudoir Caps \$1.00
House Dresses \$1.00
—Main Floor

FOR HIM

Boxed Suspenders, choice assortment of colorings for \$1.00
Garters and Armband Sets for \$1.00
Knit Silk and Open End Neckties in Christmas boxes for \$1.00
Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, with initial; 2 in a box \$1.00
Wool Mufflers in gift boxes for \$1.00
Grey Cape Gloves in special folder \$1.00
Brown and Black English Cashmere Socks, 2 pairs for \$1.00
Woolsey All-Wool Heather Hose, per pair. \$1.00
French Briar Pipes, all popular shapes \$1.00
Dunhill's Oil Silk Tobacco Pouches, special \$1.00
English Shaving Brushes for \$1.00
Shaving Mirrors \$1.00
Gillette Razors \$1.00
Kuma-Part Initialed Cuff Buttons, per pair, \$1.00
—Main Floor



Men's Gift Shirts

IN CHRISTMAS HOLLY BOXES
Forsyth Shirts. In fancy cotton. Prices. \$3.00 to \$3.50 and \$3.75
Khaki Flannel Shirts. Price \$3.50
English Flannel Shirts. Collar attached and band styles. Priced at \$2.25, \$3.00 and \$3.50
—Main Floor

Armbands Garters and Suspenders

Suspenders in Gift Boxes. The famous President make, in all shades. Pair. \$1.00
Silk Suspenders, in all shades, fine stitched leather ends. Per pair. \$1.50
Suspenders and Garter Sets in Neat Gift Boxes. Made from wide web elastic. Set \$1.25
Silk Suspenders and Garters in novelty box. Per set, \$2.00
Armbands and Garter Sets in Neat Gift Boxes. In all shades, strong elastic webs. At, per set. 85¢
Ivory Finished Garter and Armbands Sets. Made from narrow web making a light wright garter and armband; ivory trimmings. In neat gift boxes. Set, \$1.25
—Main Floor

Suggestions in Women's Apparel

Misses' Evening Frocks. In two-tone and self-colored taffeta, in new pastel shades. Sizes 16 to 38. Prices. \$25.00 and \$29.50
Afternoon Dresses. In Canton crepe, flat, and wool and silk crepe. Newest models in latest shades. Sizes 16 to 40. Prices. \$18.95 to \$39.50
Sports Dresses. In good quality flannel and knit wool; new colors and styles. Sizes 16 to 20. Prices. \$8.95 to \$19.50
Wool Plaid Sports Skirts. In novelty stripes and checks, pleated and wrap-around styles in the newest color combinations. Waist sizes 25 to 32. Prices. \$7.95 to \$15.00
Salt's Plush Coats. In loose and belted models, crushable collars and full lined. Some have choker and long roll collars of dyed opossum. Sizes 40 to 46. Prices. \$39.95 and \$49.95
Tailored Dresses. In navy, black and brown serge, tricot and new twills. Smart styles. Sizes 16 to 44. Prices. \$7.50 to \$29.50
Pleated Sports Skirts. In good quality wool crepe and new twills, in brown, reindeer and zinc. Sizes 25 to 29. Price. \$6.95
The New Frock Skirts. In wool crepe, knife and small box pleats; in black, navy, sand, zinc, cocoa, new blue and others. Sizes 16 to 40. Prices. \$12.50 to \$15.00
Fur-Trimmed Coats. In velour and blanket cloth, full lined, in brown, navy, black and reindeer. Sizes 16 to 20. Prices. \$15.95 to \$25.00
Fur-Trimmed Coats. In the latest models, all-wool materials, with choker and long roll collars and cuffs of beaverine. Sizes to 42. Prices. \$27.95 to \$39.95
—2nd Floor



Two Evening Specials in Women's Gift Hose

Glove Silk Hose. In black and all shades; all sizes. Values \$4.00 and \$4.50. Monday Evening Special, 8 to 9 o'clock. \$2.75
Pure Thread Silk Hose. With plain hem or elastic ribbed tops, some have pointed heels; in black and all colors, sizes 8 1/2 to 10. Evening Hour Special, per pair. \$1.79
—Main Floor

Monday Evening Special

WOMEN'S NECKWEAR. Collars, collar and cuff sets and odds and ends in a great variety. Values to \$1.50. Evening Hour Special, 8 to 9 o'clock. 59c
—Main Floor



Christmas Ribbons

5-Inch Satin Ribbon. In all the wanted shades; suitable for hair bows and sashes. Per yard. 45¢
6-Inch Moire Ribbon. In all the best colors. Per yard. 60¢
5-Inch Fancy Dresden Ribbon. In light and dark grounds, for all purposes. At, yard, 50¢
9-Inch Silk Embroidered Tinsel Ribbon. In navy, brown, black, green and pink, with gold or silver tinsel. Per yard. \$1.75
8-Inch Dresden Ribbon. Specially used for camisoles; in dark floral design. Per yard. \$1.25
Gold and Silver Tinsel Ribbons. From 1/4 to 8 inches wide. Per yard, from 10¢
Crepe Lingerie Ribbon. In all the wanted shades. Per yard, 5¢, 6¢, 8¢, 12¢, 16¢
6-Inch Silk Taffeta Ribbon. Good quality, in all shades. Per yard. 35¢
—Main Floor

A Morning Special in Women's Handbags

English and European Leather Handbags, in pouch, envelope and square shapes; assorted leathers. In black, brown, tan and grey. Values \$2.95 to \$4.75. Morning Special, 9 to 11:30. \$2.50
—Main Floor

Gift Novelties Half Price

Including black satin runners, ribbon work squares, tie racks, infants' feeders, lunch cloths, silk sweaters, etc., all of which you will find in our Art Needlework Department. All marked to clear at Half Price.
—Mezzanine Floor

Xmas Seals Tags and Enclosure Cards

Trying-On Labels. Per box. 10¢, 15¢ and 20¢
Stickers. With Santa Claus, etc. Per box. 10¢
Seals. In poinsettia, candle, animal and other designs. Per packet, 15¢ and 20¢
Tags. In Santa Claus, poinsettia, etc. Per packet. 15¢ and 20¢
Enclosure Cards. Holly, Santa Claus, etc. Per packet. 20¢
Tinsel Ribbon. Gold and silver. Per ball, 13¢
Tinsel Cord. Per ball. 8¢
—Main Floor

Monday Evening Special

EAU DE COLOGNE. Extra strength 75c value. Monday evening, 8 to 9. 60c
—Main Floor

Boys' Fringe Gauntlets

Smart Brown Gauntlets, with fringe on cuff; sizes 5 to 12 years. Morning Special, 9 to 11:30. Per pair. 69c
—Main Floor

Monday Morning Special

BATHROBE BLANKETS. All ready to make up into a cozy Bathrobe, complete with neck cord, girdle and frogs. Morning Special, 9 to 11:30. \$5.98
—Main Floor

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"What Shall I Give?"

The Answer Is Right Here!

Gold Signet Rings

Purchase "Him" a plain or fancy signet ring and have his crest or initials engraved. Priced, up from



\$5.00

Cigarette Cases

Gents' and ladies'—gifts that are appreciated. Latest models, plain and engine turned. Priced from \$1.00 to \$3.00

Waterman Fountain Pens

Plain and fancy; a nib for every hand. From \$2.50 to \$38.00

Eversharp Pencils

Silverplate, silver, gold filled, gold. Plain and fancy. \$2.50 to \$25.00

Buy Dad a Watch and Chain for Christmas

Watches from \$2.00 to \$250.00
Chains from \$2.50 to \$50.00

Leather Goods

Ladies' Bags, from \$3.50
Gents' Wallets, from \$1.00
Jewel Cases, from \$8.00
Gents' Tie and Handkerchief Cases, from \$4.75

Manicure Sets

French Ivory in leather rolls and in neat dressing table cases. From \$2.50 to \$16.50
On silverplate and sterling silver fitted, also in cases. From \$12.00 to \$30.00

Clocks

For the mantel, the bedroom, the hall, the kitchen. A useful gift for the home. Priced from \$2.25 to \$50.00

Barometers

In cases of mahogany, oak, walnut and brass. From \$19.00 to \$40.00

Ebony Military Brushes

Make an ideal Christmas gift for "Him." Fitted in case. Priced, up from \$3.00

For Baby

Mugs, Food Sets, Spoons, Brush and Comb Sets, Rattles, Napkin Rings, Gold Pins. From 79c to \$20.00

Walking Canes and Umbrellas

Fitted with plain and fancy handles. Priced from \$2.50 to \$30.00

Purchase Him a Vest Set

For Christmas. From \$4.00 to \$11.25



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RUGBY REDS WIN FROM BLUE TEAM

SEVENTEEN POINTS TO FOUR TELLS THE TALE

Probable "Top" Team Shows Marked Superiority Over the Next Best in Practice Match

In a fine exhibition rugby game played at the Willows oval yesterday afternoon, by two picked teams from the senior league, namely, the Reds, captained by Ross Johnson, and the Blues, led by "Wildman" Crump, the former came out victorious by 17 to 4. The Reds were without the services of the two Brynjolfssons and Toimie, but played an aggressive game and showed a marked superiority over their opponents. The game was witnessed by a large crowd and was full of good rugby.

The first half was inclined to be ragged, each team taking the field several men short, and players were continually coming on the field and taking their places. Penderay, who led the Red forwards, took the ball from a loose scrum and scored the first try. McInnes converted from a difficult angle. Crump led some nice rushes for the Blues and gained ground, but could not get the ball over.

Good Work by Backs

The second half produced some of the finest three-quarter work seen so far this season. The Red forwards heeled the ball well and their halves worked the three to good advantage. Goodacre and Rendroff made a fine run, and the former planted the ball between the posts. McInnes failed on the kick. A few seconds later, Penderay, after a fine dribble by the Reds, scored again, Taylor falling on the kick. The Blues pressed hard and looked dangerous several times, but good kicking by Goodacre and McInnes saved them. McMillan and Gilmer made a fine run, but were taken down a few feet from touch. A good kick by Goodacre put the Reds back in their opponents' territory, and Taylor went over again. McInnes failed to convert. A few seconds later he converted, but failed on the kick. With a minute to go, the Blues pressed hard, and McMillan saved his team from a whitewashing when he dropped a goal from a hard angle. Taylor, McInnes and Goodacre, on the three-quarter line, and Oland and Penderay in the back for the Reds turned in good games, while Crump and McMillan were the outstanding stars for the Blues. The teams were as follows:

Reds—Ross Johnson; Rendroff, McInnes, Toimie; Goodacre and Taylor; Oland, Penderay, Money, Wingert and McInnes.
Blues—McLennan; Wilson, C. Wallis, Gilmer, Prior, Woods, Cabellou, Evel and McMillan; Crump, Allen, DuBois, Christy, Wallis.
Referee—"Bill" Ellis.

MAINLAND BASKETERS COMING ON SUNDAY

Ex-Normals and Native Sons Will Meet Victoria's Pastest Teams in Exhibition Games

On Saturday night, at the local Y.M.C.A. gymnasium, a real treat is in store for basketball fans, when two of Vancouver's speediest senior men's basketball teams will line up against the best that Victoria can produce. The Native Sons, of Vancouver, are reported to have a very fine team this season, having defeated the Y.M.

C.A. recently and secured the lead in the Vancouver City League. The Y.M.C.A. have held the Mainland championship for several years, so the Native Sons must be a very strong aggregation.

The ex-Normals are also a very well-known team on the Mainland, and at present are leading the Western Division Senior Men's League. The three Boyes brothers are all playing with the ex-Normals, and all are high-class basketball players. The local Metropolitans will likely be chosen to meet the ex-Normals, while in all probability the First Presbyterians will meet the Native Sons.

The local Metropolitans have a first-class lineup this season with Stan Moore, Vernon Jones, Gus McIntyre, Cecil Hay and Bill Huxtable. Their game with the ex-Normals should provide a thrilling exhibition. First Presbyterians need no introduction to local followers of the game, as their record is a remarkable one. Bob Whyte, Norman Forbes and Gus McKinnon are still holding the fort for the First.

Final arrangements with the local teams have not been completed, but according to present plans the programme should be as follows: Native Sons (Vancouver), vs. First Presbyterians.
Senior Girls—St. Andrew's vs. Christ Church.
Ex-Normals (Vancouver) vs. Metropolitans.

YACHTSMEN STAGE BALL NEW YEAR'S EVE

The climax of the social activities of the Royal Victoria Yacht Club will take place when the beautiful clubhouse in the Uplands is thrown open to the guests on New Year's Eve. It has long been the custom of the local yachtsmen to entertain their guests on this occasion, and those who have attended the dances in the past know how well the club understands the art of ushering in the New Year.

The decoration committee already has its proposition well in hand and is working hard to convert the spacious rooms into a garden of revelry. Reports from other committees show that practically all arrangements have been made, and if the progress already established continues until the day of the dance, there is every promise of this affair being an outstanding one in the history of the club. The floor space at the club has been more than doubled, but in order to alleviate any crowding, the number of invitations is very limited. Already a large number of those are out, and it is expected that all will be gone soon after Christmas.

B.C. ACADEMY RECITAL

A very enjoyable recital was held Friday evening in the B.C. Academy of Music by the Junior pupils of Mr. and Mrs. E. Semple violin and piano, respectively.

Those taking part were: Piano, Misses Verna Holt, Marjorie Taylor, Mary Haynes, Hillary Patterson, Kathleen Irvine, Kathleen Thompson, Lydia and Madeline Dawley, Iris Gaskill, Olive Harris, Olive Heale, Inez and Bernice Pender, Janet Shering, Kathleen Hart, Irene Burnett, also Master Kenneth Billingsley, George Dawley, Billy Palmer, Ivan Tucker, Frank Davis and Wilfred Tydessey.

Violin: Billy Whitley, Ralph Gould, E. Blund, Blanch Sherring, Una Bevan, Chris Miller, Wilfred Johnson, and Miss Dorothy Macroft. The accompanists of the evening were as follows: Miss Inez Pender, Olive Heale, Maud Bland and Mrs. E. Semple.

IT'S EASY TO SAY IT WITH FLOWERS THIS CHRISTMAS

Saying it with flowers may be easy in Spring or Summer, but when it comes to mid-Winter what is a person going to do about it?

That might have been a real problem in other years and it may still be a problem in cities other than Victoria, but it will be anything but difficult to say "Merry Christmas" this year with flowers, because this has been a Winter of flowers in Victoria. Naturalists and Horticulturists cannot remember a Winter when flowers grew in more abundance during the so-called cold months of the year.

Many of Victoria's gardens are a mass of color, with scores of the hardier plants in bloom, and yesterday Mrs. W. H. Brown, of Esquimalt Road, showed The Colonist a huge bunch of red roses grown out of doors.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Elected Deputy Speaker
QUEBEC, Dec. 22—Hector Laforte was unanimously elected Deputy Speaker of the Quebec Legislature at its session yesterday.

MILD CHRISTMAS IS USUAL THING

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1890, and at the time of the storm they were on the pole which is still standing on the roof of the Post Office Building.

That storm wrought no little damage to shipping. Several vessels lying in the Royal Roads were dragged from their anchors, and one was swept down the Strait of Fuca so far that it was in full view to people living on the Dallas Road waterfront. There was another storm in 1905 on Christmas Day, the wind attaining a velocity of 44 miles on the night of December 25. It maintained this force for two hours. Again in 1919 there was a big storm, the wind reaching 43 miles for one hour in the morning. On the night of December 24, 1922, there was a 45-mile gust from the southwest, and the storm hovered near, returning on December 26 with a 45-mile wind.

The very year the wind-instruments were installed, 1890, a 59-mile gale ripped in from the west, this being as severe as the 1901 Christmas Day storm in its initial stages, although it did not develop the fury of the hurricane of this later date.

This makes a total of five Christmas Day gales in thirty-three years, and the fact that the intervening years have been almost entirely free of high winds overturns any rule which the impressionable but inaccurate observer may have made to the contrary.

Present Forecast
Mr. Denison has not objected to making a forecast of the Christmas weather for this year. He says:

From a general survey of the daily weather charts now made out here, both for the western portion of the continent and by means of radiograms extending seaward to the 150th Meridian, it is likely that the remarkably mild weather we have been enjoying will continue over the Christmas Season, for the great Pacific storms are still passing far to the northward causing abnormally mild weather even into the Yukon.

The Prairie Provinces are also enjoying considerable mild

weather, and in Ontario the present temperatures are 11 degrees above the average. Fan-ales were picked on the 20th, and strawberries were ripening in the open. Until the great Pacific storms are deflected further south across this Province, and colder weather with high barometric pressure appears in the Yukon, the B.C. Coast weather will remain mild, and inland to the Prairie Provinces, only moderately cold weather will continue.

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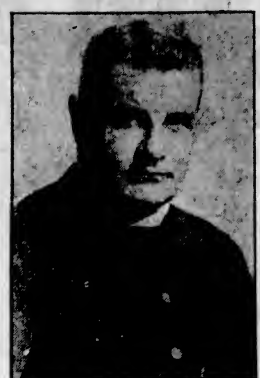
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VERY REV. DEAN QUAINTON

ple with leisure for intellectual pursuits. Let the new cathedral be open to the breath of the Spirit of Truth, and as the breezes carry the seeds of flowers and fruit far and wide, so the germs of the Everlasting Gospel can issue from its walls, and be borne to distant parishes and far-off lands. For centuries, we hope, its walls will stand as a witness to the fact that man does not live by bread alone, and so I say Victoria needs a new cathedral as at least a partial means of saving its own soul.

Purer Speech and Manners
During the present session of the Provincial Government, our city newspapers have recorded, almost daily, utterances made by certain members of the Legislature that disgust and wound people of decent tastes. Some of us were brought up to know that the "tu quoque" argument is not the argument of a gentleman. Yet certain political speeches are delivered, "You're a— and you're another—". And some spokesmen of the newly-formed "Irish Party" are imitating similar practices. They are anxious to see that a positive constructive policy, stated in terms free from vituperation, would attract many who are disgusted with the present method of conducting political controversy. This method is debasing our moral currency. It keeps good men out of public life. It degrades the whole temper of the community. It creates contempt for law and lawmakers. It inflames suspicion and deepens mistrust. It supplies a nidus in which the germs of dishonorable action breed. I am speaking for thousands of people in Victoria who prize pure speech and manners. In public life when I beg the Premier, the Leader of the Opposition, and the Leader of the Third Party to give us an example against vulgar and irreparable forms of speech and behavior.

Amusement Centre
Before the proposed Amusement Centre was broached, I had my own mental picture of one—and one that was impracticable. I had often noticed that, especially in the summer, we had no rallying-point for those who love the fresh air, want to meet their friends and make new ones, desire to eat and drink together, and hear some good music. As picnickers and bathers we scatter over widely-separated beaches. Bearing in mind the need of communal pleasures, I have often pictured the green and spacious lawn in front of the Empress Hotel, on a summer day, dotted with tables on which light refreshments are served, a really good band would play pleasing music, a glass of beer or wine or a liqueur could be obtained with other refreshments (there is nothing like publicity as an aid to true temperance), promenaders would pass up and down, all types of life would be represented there. Victoria is excellently suited for an extended something on the lines of the German beer-garden or the French cafe. And a central rallying point of this kind would unify our civic consciousness, break down barriers, and it might even make politicians urbane. Possibly the C.P.R. Amusement Centre will meet this need. If so, by all means let us have it.

Juvenile Court
A few months ago there was an outcry in Victoria against the stupid and evil practice of herding a boy from this city with hardened criminals in the Provincial penitentiary. Resolutions of protest were passed at public meetings, and then we sat down and waited for something to happen. That is not the way in which real reform is brought about. We are pursuing a similar method in regard to the narcotic drugs business. It is a method that makes us feel peculiarly virtuous. I grant, it appeals to the crowd-instinct, but the wave of emotion quickly subsides, knowing that evil-doers chuckle inwardly, and our consciences go off to sleep. When shall we learn that patient constructive work is needed—more needed than spasms of mass emotion—unconstructive for a large part, scientific, penetrative.

Such work, happily, has been done, and is being done, by those who see and feel the problem of juvenile delinquency, and the result of their study is their advocacy of the Juvenile Court, distinct in its operations from the police court. They are not entirely unimpaired of punishment of offenders, but they see that the evil doing is often the outcome of improper or inadequate care and guidance, and that wise, sympathetic supervision of those who hover on the border line of crime, should be given by suitable, accredited persons. The magnitude of the problem can partly be gauged by the fact that last year Victoria was represented by 172 cases in court. Vancouver (thanks to its Juvenile Court) treated about 2,000 cases last year out of court, and yet had fewer children than Victoria. Our own city has at present eighteen children in that institution. The cost of maintaining those eighteen children is about \$13,000 per year, whereas the cost of the Juvenile Court to the four municipalities of Victoria, Esquimalt, Oak Bay and Saanich, would be (exclusive of a man judge and psychologist), about \$7,500 per year.

Let those who gibe at the proposed Juvenile Court remember that the first consideration in dealing with juvenile offenders should be not retribution, but reform and reclamation. Incidentally, the establishment of a Juvenile Court would assist the suppression of some of the evils of the narcotic drugs traffic, for under the Juvenile Delinquency Act,

any person contributing to juvenile delinquency is liable to prosecution. Cricket Grounds, Etc.

Cricket in Victoria has two primary needs: (1) Financial help (as in Vancouver) from the City Council toward the maintenance of a ground, to which Provincial and intercity teams could be invited, without violating the cricketing conscience; and (2) even more do we need the emergence of half a dozen representative citizens (if old cricketers the better) who would give time and trouble to the maintenance and development of the game. And perhaps some day an enlightened City Council will see that we have a good theatre and art gallery in Victoria.

Letters to the Editor

No letter to the editor will be inserted except that the proper signature and address of the writer. This rule admits of no exception.

Elk Lake Golf Links

Sir,—Noting comments and references by R. B. D. in your paper of 12th inst. on subject of Municipal (Elk Lake) Golf Links, and the attitude of ratepayer critics thereof, main features of which were:

1. That critics believe that expenditure there cannot be justified.

2. Critics do not take note of tremendous volume of golf now, or that many thousands of golfers come every year.

3. The links are open the year round here, whereas nearly all the courses are closed for large part of year.

4. The Council's decision is based on such information as that gathered by the Canadian Pacific Railway, which expects a tremendous rush this year.

5. If the critics would take up golf, their eyes would be open.

6. The Elk Lake links are not for the benefit of resident golfers at all; that there are five courses, simply sufficient, here already, four of them 18 holes, and that the Elk Lake links will some day be regarded as one of the city's most valuable assets.

7. Good-natured jocular references to critics.

Undersigned, speaking for himself, submits answers to above items:

1. Reaffirms belief that expenditure cannot be justified.

2. Has taken note of volume and believes it will fade, and the statement that many thousands of golfers come every year is exaggeration. Many visitors are more familiar with a plough field than they are with a golf stick.

3. Links may be open all year, but certainly not in playing condition.

4. Expectations are not always realized.

5. Critics' eyes are too wide open for would-be golfers.

6. Resident golfers will not like the information that links are not for them, and that the five here now are simply sufficient. That Elk Lake links will some day be regarded as one of the city's most valuable assets, is mere conjecture. Let us get out of the realm of conjecture, into the realm of fact.

The Citizens' Research Institute of Canada asks: "When is a public utility paying its way?" and answers: "A public utility is paying its way when its revenue is sufficient to pay direct costs of operation such as salaries and wages; heat, light and power; repairs and renewals of minor equipment; interest on borrowed capital and other charges. A reasonable amount for contingencies. Depreciation on structures and major equipment. Taxes on the same basis as higher and no lower—as those which would be levied if such utility were privately owned."

Accepting this dictum as sound, let us proceed:

Our evening paper on May 23, 1922, quoted a Vancouver alderman as stating that of two American cities he had visited, one had made a profit on its links of \$18,000 and the other a profit of \$8,000.

A Prairie city issued a statement that it had a net revenue of \$4,244 on the year's operation of its links.

Writing to all above for following information:

1. Time covered by profit.

2. Is it gross or net profit?

3. Value of land embraced in links.

4. Taxes charged for a like area of adjoining land.

5. Net profit after meeting all charges.

Number 1 wrote: "I am of the opinion that an 18-hole course such as we are operating, with weather conditions which are not greatly dissimilar from yours, that we play all winter, could be made to earn sufficient revenue to pay all operation and capital costs with exception of interest on the money invested, and that we can make a safe margin of profit on a links, where no accounting of ground rent or capital cost is required."

Number 2, after stating their links were not operated for profit, and for six years were run at a slight loss, when the fees were raised, and construction started on another course, and in the year 1921 maintenance and construction costs were \$31,129. Receipts were \$27,281, a deficit of \$3,848, winding up his letter by saying: "It is impossible to answer your questions as to land values and taxes."

Re Number 3. Recapitulating to him, information previously received from him, viz:

Park post, whole of it, 145 acres \$310,000.47

Golf course out of it, say two-thirds \$203,333.00

Interest and discount at 6 per cent \$ 12,193.95

Taxes, say 2 per cent 4,068.66

Total \$ 16,266.64

Net revenue or surplus on operation 4,244.00

Loss \$ 12,021.74

So that presuming 1 per cent of your population play golf, and that two-thirds of your park is not used for any other purpose, it would appear that 99 per cent of your people are deprived of the use of two-thirds of a public park at a cost to them of 99 per cent of \$12,000.

Number 3 replied as follows: "The surplus on the municipal golf links is, of course, a surplus on operation, exclusive of amortization interest and redemption charges; the golf links, as you properly observe, forming part of a public park, which was acquired at a cost of \$310,000.67."

Number 1 has a population of 250,000. Number 2, over 300,000, and Number 3, 40,000.

The fact is that golf is a game for ladies and gentlemen of leisure who can afford to pay the price, and it is no part of a ratepayer's business to provide golf at less than cost, for it is quite certain that his representative can never do it cheaply or efficiently as a private enterprise.

I resent the imputation, published

as made in the Legislature by Mr. Jackson, M.P.P., that I lobbied. I defy him to produce a member who can truthfully say I spoke to him on the subject. I only spoke to the committee as a whole.

I am not unmoved of left-handed compliments, neither have I done "kicking."

JOHN DEAN.
Pacific Club, Victoria, B. C., December 20, 1923.

Provincial Party
Sir,—I was rather surprised to read a letter a couple of days ago written by a gentleman named Buck, late major R.A.M.C.T. in which he stated that the charges made against the leader of the Provincial Party left him unmoved.

What a wonderful constitution this man must have, to be absolutely unmoved by the ghastly and filthy mess that has been stirred up recently by Hon. W. Sloan.

I have been anxiously waiting for General McKee to give the lie to the charge of stock speculation in relation, but up to now there is no denial forthcoming.

Surely, this man, who claimed to be above reproach, cannot be guilty of the awful charges made against him, as I think there is no more despicable crime than that of "stock speculation," as it is the rich man who is hit, as he can take care of himself, but it is the poor man who has saved a little towards old age that gets caught.

I have seen many homes in the Old Land wrecked and broken up because of unscrupulous financing of various schemes, and I cannot understand how it is that the rich man who is hit, as he can take care of himself, but it is the poor man who has saved a little towards old age that gets caught.

The writer has indicated covering \$500,000 that he will gladly sell for \$25, and yet I can claim to have an investment of nearly half a million (on paper).

Don't you think, sir, that politics have reached a very low ebb in B.C. when your correspondents talk of making the mud pie and stirring up the stench of past political misdeeds, as outlined in a letter written by Mr. Goddard, of Sidney, recently.

Surely it would be more beneficial to use our endeavors to lift politics out of the mire, and not drag it further into it. Most of the men today who are kicking the hardest are those who have their principles and their homes here, a great many having arrived here since the war and have got no conception of the environment of the country nor the conditions existing prior to the year 1914, when the railway policies they condemn so acutely were approved of by the people.

These men would be better employed if, instead of trying to create a new party, they would endeavor to bring out the best class of citizens and ally themselves to one of the parties at present existing. This plantering of men in public life no longer appeals to the respectable citizen. He is the silent voter and the one who counts most on election day.

I have arrived home from a trip through that vast stretch of country in the North known as the Peace River, where man's outlook on life is so broad and open, and it is distinctly "rotten" to arrive in the midst of a campaign of vituperation the like of which has never been known before, and the party responsible for same is now being given a dose of its own medicine. I was reading an account of the convention held at Vancouver recently, when "General McKee" was "ripped" into the meeting. What a "horrible mockery." The last time I heard the pliers was when they were "piping" one of the finest officers in the regiment I served in to his last resting place.

I would close this letter with an appeal to each reader, irrespective of political affiliation, to rise above the petty things of life and strike out with a determination to make this Province the finest in the Dominion, both from an economic and social point of view.

We have still got a long way to go, either party who can surely be classified as "honest." Let us get these men into public life, and whenever we get them there, give them our whole-hearted support.

DONALD FRASER.
Johnson St., Victoria, B.C., Dec. 21, 1923.

Oak Bay High School
Sir,—Mr. Adams certainly has understood my letter of Sunday last under the impression that the points raised have no connection with the need of further accommodation." If he will take the trouble to read my letter again he will find that the authorities I quote are those that only thirty per cent of the children attending the elementary schools are capable of finishing a high school course, therefore those 30 per cent are the only ones the school trustees should make provision for.

Again, I stated that the Education Act requires free education between six and sixteen. I now find that six is a clause in the Act (see Manual of School Law, page 37, pp. 109), which says that persons above sixteen years of age who desire to attend public school in the district in which they reside shall have the right of doing so free of charge. If there is sufficient school accommodation." The Act does not require the trustees to make accommodation for those over sixteen.

"Clearing the bush round Monterey School." This statement, as taken from The Colonist, the suggestion that the trustees might be led by the bad example of Victoria to build a greenhouse was my own.

Mr. Adam paraphrased the old quotation that "fools rush in where angels fear to tread" in ignorance. I would say that I am a fool myself, acquainted with the local conditions from your secretary and your headmaster, so that it was not from want of understanding.

Secondly, I was school trustee for three years in a district where we had thousands to deal with where Oak Bay trustees have hundreds.

Further, re my quotation to speak as to the treatment of the "border line" and feeble-minded children, for fifteen years, ending 1918, as certifying surgeon for a city and district of over 1,000,000 of population, I examined physically between eight and nine thousand children under sixteen years of age and had just left the elementary schools, when I had every opportunity of forming an opinion of their mental capacity with regard to their fitness for certain occupations; and lastly, as

a lay magistrate for thirty-three years in a borough of 50,000 population, the juvenile court would finish the education of any having eyes to see and ears to hear.

THOMAS YOUNG, M.D., Durham, L.R.C.P.L., M.R.C.S., Eng., Lieutenant Colonel and Honorary Colonel, late R.A.M.C.T., 2130 Central Avenue, Oak Bay, B.C., Dec. 22, 1923.

The Legislature
Sir,—After weeks of recrimination and abuse, our legislators have attempted to justify their existence by transacting a little business at the eleventh hour.

I am reminded of a story told by Mark Twain:

"In some Western town it was decided to give a banquet to celebrate something, and a committee was formed and a chairman and secretary appointed. The sum of \$40 was subscribed, and the secretary was instructed by the chairman to lay in the supplies. The account was rendered as follows:

"Whiskey \$39.00
"Bread 1.00
Total \$40.00

"Why in thunder," asked the chairman, "did you spend all that money on bread?"

A. R. SHERWOOD.
3240 Quadra Street, Victoria, B.C., December 20, 1923.

Amusement Centre
Sir,—The most outstanding argument in favor of the Amusement Centre project is the distinctiveness of such an enterprise. No other Coast city possesses anything along that line. It can be made the basis of an original appeal to tourists who otherwise might not visit Victoria. It would be a feature different and exclusive; something to build publicity on; something unique, odd, exceptional, to which the eye of the visitor can be directed.

For many years it has been advocated, and we have heard repeatedly at municipal elections of a salt water swimming pool. That the great ocean at our doors is practically unused for

bathing six months of the year, has long been recognized as a drawback to Victoria's advancement. The Amusement Centre will remedy that.

The lack of proper facilities for large bodies to congregate in convention has undoubtedly robbed us of many opportunities of an exceedingly desirable nature. Chances to entertain fraternal organizations, religious bodies and business conventions have more than once had to be passed up, for the reason that central accommodation for such meetings was not available. The Amusement Centre will remedy that.

The condition of the space which the proposed centre will occupy, neglected, rubbishy and unkempt, at present looms up in bold and unpleasant contrast to our magnificent Parliament Buildings and the Empress Hotel, close by. The Amusement Centre will remedy that.

The fact that we have to grant concessions in taxes and water rates should be the least of our worry; at present the land value is nil, we have an abundance of water.

No other organization but the C. P. Railway could be induced to consider such a project. The talk of it being municipally owned and operated is absurd. Even if the C. P. Railway makes money out of the deal, what's the difference, it's a case where all businesses in the city is bound to benefit. And it's a case where the C. P. Railway is the one and only concern that can handle such a proposition with any hope of success.

J. A. SHANKS.
1281 Fairfield Road, Victoria, B.C., Dec. 21, 1923.

Elk Lake
Sir,—I notice there has been some comment in the press concerning developments at Elk Lake.

Whether these developments are in the best interests of the citizens and taxpayers of Victoria is a matter of opinion.

I would, however, point out (without going into arguments and perhaps premature announcements) that for some years the majority of the City Council have favored the project. Also that the legislation under which the present work is proceed-

ing was secured in ex-Mayor Porter's regime in 1919, and that "Mayor" Porter, "Mayor" Todd and Mayor Hayward each suffered, or suffer, sufficiently from too much taxation upon their city holdings of land to make certain that Elk Lake would not have received their support unless, in their opinion, the favorable aspects much outweighed those to the contrary.

What is being done is also approved of by the Victoria Saanich Leaches and Parks Committee (a joint committee of the Saanich and Victoria Municipal Councils), and by others who have been consulted, amongst whom are: Mayor Hayward, Reeve Watson, Aldermen Dewar and Sargent, Councillors Mienicol, Brooks and Lehman, B. C. Nicholas, C. L. Harrison, H. Langley, Major H. C. Holmes, W. S. Drewry, E. E. Billingham, Canon Hinchliffe, M.P.P.; M. B. Jackson, M.P.P.; J. B. Clearhouse, M.P.P.; R. B. Kerr, the late A. Lintham, J. W. Spencer, J. L. Tall, J. Keith Wilson, H. O. Kirkham, the late C. T. Cross, F. Waring and a number of other equally well-known gentlemen, whose opinions and advice have been sought on previous occasions, such as ex-Reeve George McGregor, of Saanich, and others.

Any suggestion of wrongful expenditure at Elk Lake is unjustified and is not in accordance with the facts. Nor is it correct or fair of critics to compare a municipal golf links, occupying a site exempt from either

first cost or taxation (on account of the lands being a part of Victoria's or "Greater" Victoria's watershed), with other municipal golf projects that have previously been considered in Victoria, which have involved leased sites, etc.

In this matter, all concerned, up to the present, have insisted upon a pay-as-you-go policy, which means economical and careful expenditure out of current revenue, and I have been careful to see that no legislation contains any powers for borrowing in connection with this development. Consequently when the work is completed—or details of the work from time to time—it will have been paid for, and no burden of debt, interest payments, etc., to worry ourselves and coming generations of taxpayers. It is too bad that this policy, in other and greater matters, had not long since been adopted.

This letter is not intended as an argument in favor of development of Elk Lake; that is a different matter. This is simply a brief statement to show that proper consideration and authority exists for what has been done. Properly elected, and properly constituted, representative bodies over a period of several years, have agreed that the development is desirable, and in carrying on the work they are simply exercising the responsibility for which they have been appointed and elected.

A. E. TODD.
P.O. Drawer 767, Victoria, B.C., December 20, 1923.

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Christendom the World Over

A Weekly Review of Religious News

FOR the first time in four hundred years the Christmas bells of the Greek Orthodox church in Russia, Greece and Bulgaria will ring in harmony with the other churches of the world. On September 15 this church abandoned the Julian calendar and adopted the Gregorian calendar under which the Roman Catholic and Protestant churches had been observing Christmas for several centuries. The Russian Orthodox church, a body of some eight million people living principally in Russian Ukraine, hold to the old way which brings Christmas Day in January.

Great Preacher Passes Away
Perhaps the most widely known preacher of the twentieth century was H. J. Jowett, who passed away this week after several years of failing health. Not only was the distinguished preacher of the historic Carr's Lane Congregational Church, Birmingham, of Fifth Avenue, New York, and of Westminster Chapel, London, but also as the ready and voluminous writer of countless homilies and meditations published in religious journals and devotional books, did Dr. Jowett reach millions of interested readers. A poet-preacher, his writings were intensely pictorial and exquisitely phrased. Scripture was given wings under his felicitous exposition, which was aided in his preaching by a voice of rare musical power. The most popular book of his sermons is "Apostolic Optimism." Having kept closely to the single work of scriptural preaching his efforts two years ago to rouse the British churches to a crusade for peace made a great impression.

The Dictator and Roman Catholicism
The strength of Italy, her joy and her marvelous chances for the future are due to Catholicism. I have frequently proclaimed it. Mr. Norbert Valdes reports in The Belgian Review these words of Mussolini, who also spoke of his mandate requiring the teaching of the Catholic faith in state schools. "The prestige of the Cross must be recognized, sanctioned by the State; I have re-established the crucifix in the classrooms and in the schools. I propose to re-establish it in parliament."

"John Smith's Day"
Much curiosity was aroused among the British public when the British Broadcasting Company announced that a section of its programme for "Children's Hour" on November 24 would be devoted to "John Smith's Day." That day, one hundred years ago, in Denbigh, British Guiana, one John Smith, a London Missionary Society missionary, was condemned to death by a court-martial on the pretext that he had hidden knowledge of a negro rising, but really because he had enraged the planters and slaveowners by teaching the negroes to read.

A Church Meal at 3 Cents
Golden Rule Sunday was observed on December 2 as a day of plain living and high giving for the sake of Greek and Armenian starving ones. At Central Christian Church, New York, 118 of the congregation had lunch together at a total cost of \$3.50, or three cents per person. The menu was beef soup, a slice of bread and a cup of chocolate.

Killed Russian Students
Killed from their native land, many of them destitute and even starving, are 12,000 Russian students scattered throughout Europe. One of these students, organized by the World's Student Christian Federation, sent six representatives to a gathering last October in an old castle near Prague, which organized a Russian Student Christian Movement. This movement is entirely Russian, and is receiving the cordial support of some of the best men of the Greek Orthodox Church, such as Archbishop Savvati and Bishop Sergel, who see in this spiritual uprising of students the hope of the Orthodox Church. Many circles for the study of the gospels have been formed. The Russian movement will be reported to the Student Christian convention to be held at Indianapolis this week.

The Gideons' Half Million Bibles
The society of Christian traveling men known as the Gideons, has placed 548,418 Bibles in the hotels of the United States and Canada, the largest number of 54,918 being in the state of Illinois. It is declared that only three or four have been stolen. One, it is said, was taken by a colored elevator boy, who took the book home because he found it so interesting that he wanted to finish reading it.

Radiolets From Here and There
Dr. Barnardo's Homes in England care for 3,500 boys. A hospital of 75 beds has just been completed to serve the homes.
Women will demand equal rights with men at the next meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (North) in the United States. The feminists are sponsored by the Cincinnati presbytery.

Rev. R. J. Campbell has returned to his old town of Brighton, from which he went to the City Temple, London. He is co-adjutor preacher of Holy Trinity Church, of which Rev. F. W. Robertson was incumbent from 1847 to 1857.

"Ten dollars for a world minute" is the new slogan for the American Congregationalists, who number 480,000. It costs ten dollars every minute to carry on their missionary work at home and abroad.

Canadian News

The Methodist Church in Canada carries on mission work in Japan with a total foreign force of 21 and 75 native helpers. In China, at ten central stations, 163 missionaries are at work, along with 375 Chinese ministers and teachers. The missionary objective of their church for 1924 is \$1,250,000.

Ten theological colleges carry on the training of candidates for the Church of England ministry. Beginning at the Atlantic they are as follows: King's College, Halifax; Bishop's College, Lennoxville, P. Q.; Montreal Diocesan Training, Toronto; Wycliffe, Toronto; Huron, London; St. John's, Winnipeg; St. Chad's, Regina; Emmanuel, Saskatoon; Anglican, Vancouver; At Montreal, Baptists and Anglicans co-operate with the Presbyterians and Methodists. Rev. H. R. Trunpout, M. A., B. D., of the staff of the Vancouver institution, has just declined an attractive call to St. John's, Winnipeg.

Presbyterians are re-enforcing their medical work in Formosa by sending Dr. G. Gushue-Taylor, who will re-open the Mackay Memorial Hospital, closed for five years. Dr. S. D. Scott, the scholarly journalist of The Province, and The News-Advertiser, of Vancouver, was a faithful member and active official of Mount Pleasant Methodist Church.

In Victoria, Edmonton, Winnipeg and Toronto, "Boys' Parliaments" will be only inaugurated and progressed during the coming week. Toronto's gathering is the third of its kind, and its 95 members are chosen from a constituency of 10,000 boys. Church News From Britain

Dr. Norwood has just concluded a most successful term of four years as minister of the City Temple. The revision of the liturgy was much discussed at the recent meeting of the Clerical and Lay Houses of the Church Assembly. By an overwhelming majority, general approval was given to the permissive use of two forms of canon in connection with the observance of holy communion. One canon follows that contained in the "Green Book" of the Anglo-Catholic section of the church, and the other of the "Grey Book" for those of broader views.

The salaries of the Church of England clergy have been gradually rising during the last fifteen years. The minimum stipend is £250 for parishes of 300, up to £400 where the population exceeds 10,000.

Two hundred and six ministers of all denominations in Manchester and neighborhood have memorialized the Government to bring in radical measures to deal with the evil of unemployment.

PROSPECT LAKE PUPILS EXHIBIT MUCH TALENT
ROYAL OAK, Dec. 21.—A splendid concert was given by the pupils of Prospect Lake School on Thursday afternoon. All numbers of a variety programme were rendered with a finish that showed conscientious effort on the part of the pupils and interest on the part of the teachers. Trills and dances were a special feature of the programme. A Christmas drill was of particular merit, while a variety song caused much merriment. Probably the best number offered was a Christmas tree drill, which was very well done. Several recitations by pupils helped round out a well balanced programme.

Numerous parents were present, who keenly enjoyed the afternoon's entertainment. Refreshments were served by the pupils at the tea hour.

Institute Re-elects Old Head Officials

SAANICH, Dec. 22.—The South Saanich Women's Institute held its annual meeting and election of officers on Thursday evening in the institute room at Keating. There was a good attendance, with Mrs. Gale, the president, in the chair. Most satisfactory reports were given by the officers, Mrs. Gale, president; Mrs. Gold, secretary; and Mrs. Mitchell, treasurer. Three-minute reports were also given by the institute conveners. The results of the balloting were as follows: President, Mrs. Gale, re-elected; secretary, Mrs. T. Gold, re-elected; treasurer, Mrs. Mitchell, re-elected; directors, Mrs. Amery and Mrs. Styan.

At the close of the business meeting the Women's Institute joined forces with the Farmers' Institute to enjoy a social hour. A chorus sung by the ladies and a couple of songs by Mrs. Wood added to the pleasure of the evening, after which refreshments were served.

Bamberton Scholars Entertain Parents

SAANICH, Dec. 22.—Miss Wells, teacher at the Bamberton School, entertained a number of the parents at the school closing on Thursday afternoon. Songs, recitations and drills were given by the pupils. Two prizes, donated by Mr. Anderson, to be presented to the boy and girl showing best general progress for the term, were won by John Lafaveux and Lilian Satterthwaite. Santa Claus was on hand during the afternoon and gave a small Christmas gift to each child. Tea and cake were then served.

GOES TO FERNIE

NANAIMO, Dec. 21.—Mr. Edward S. Martin, supervisor of the local public schools, who is leaving the city shortly for Fernie, where he has accepted a similar position, was yesterday afternoon presented with a leather traveling bag by the teachers of the school, at an afternoon tea in the domestic science room of the Queen's School. The presentation was made on behalf of the teachers by Miss Mebus, who expressed their regrets at Mr. Martin's departure, and the esteem in which he is held by members of the staff and the public in general.

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Perrin's French Suede and Kid Gloves. Contrasting points; with pearl dome fasteners. **\$3.00 Value**
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Perrin's Kid Gloves, in black and colors, all sizes. Value \$3.00.

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Made with strong frames and gloria covers, fitted with neat ring and strap handles.

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Excellent quality silk covering, in navy, purple and black; fitted with attractive handles.

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Regular to \$4.50. **\$1.95**
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In plain colors and novelty stripes, with fringed ends.

Silk and Wool Hosiery For Gift Giving

Pure Silk Hosiery

Regular \$1.95 and **98c**
Pair
Exceptional quality and pure silk trunk and ribbed tops. Plain and novelty weaves. Good assortment of shades.

Harvey's Silk and Wool Hose

Regular \$2.25. **\$1.75**
Pair
Exceptionally fine quality silk and wool ribbed hose, with fancy clocks. Shades black, white, grey and white, beige and white.

English Wool Golf Hose

Regular to \$1.50. **98c**
Pair
Popular rib, with elastic top; excellent wearing quality.

Holeproof Silk Hosiery, plain and seamless, reinforced; rib tops; fashionable **\$1.85**
colors. Pair

"Slingee" Silk Hose, in desirable colors; closely woven, with hemmed tops. **\$2.25**
Pair

"Venus" Silk Hose, in plain and novelty rib; good colors. Per pair **\$2.00** and **\$2.25**

"Harvey's" Heavy Quality Silk Hose, with ribbon back; elastic and trunk tops; all colors. Per pair **\$2.00** and **\$2.25**

Gift Bags

Handbags of heavy patent leather in envelope style, with three compartments and car ticket pocket. An acceptable Christmas gift. **\$3.95**

Pouch Bags, well made and nicely lined, in grained leather; grey, brown, navy and black. Specially priced **\$2.25** and **\$3.50**

Vanity Boxes, in real patent leather, neatly lined and well fitted with large mirror and compact powder box. A gift sure to please. **\$2.50, \$3.75, \$5.00**

Baby's Needs

Purchase Gifts for Baby

Kid Shoes, soft soles. **\$1.25**
Special at **\$1.35**
Bibs, embroidered and lace trimmed, 20c to **\$1.35**
Honeycomb and Fancy Knit Shawls, \$2.50 to **\$7.50**
Warm Buggy Covers, \$5.50 to **\$6.25**
Dainty Voile Embroidered Dresses, \$1.00 to **\$4.75**
Cashmere Dresses, smocked and embroidered, \$2.50 to **\$4.25**
Silk Dresses, \$2.39 to **\$4.75**
Wool Toques and Bonnets, 50c to **\$2.65**
Wool and Silk Mitts, 50c to **75c**
Wool Booties, in large variety, 30c to **\$1.00**
Dainty Wool Jackets, \$1.50 to **\$2.75**
Wool Pull-Overs, \$1.25 to **\$2.98**
Silk Cot Covers, embroidered designs, \$2.50 to **\$5.75**
Infants' White Wool Sets, Reg. \$6.50, Sale **\$3.98**
Useful gifts, comprising Sweater, Pull-overs, Caps and Mitts, in fancy knit weave.

Christmas Gift Special

Silk Lingerie, Regular to \$9.25. **\$5.95**

Dainty Garments of silk, wash satin and crepe de Chine. Envelope Chemises, Step-ins and Negligees, daintily trimmed, peach, orchid, sky, white and pink.

Big Savings on Ready-to-Wear

Coats

6 Only. Handsome, Exclusive Coats of silk, marvellous and crushed plush; brown, grey and black, richly trimmed with fur. Regular values to \$150. **\$69.50**
To clear at **\$19.50, \$25.00, \$29.50**

9 Only. High-Class Fur Trimmed Coats of Marvella and Bolivia, in black, grey and reindeer. Regular values to \$69.50. **\$49.50**

Wonderful Coats in many styles, plain and fur-trimmed. Reg. values to \$25.00. **\$25.00**

Exceptional Value in Utility Coats; all-wool English coatings. Regular **\$25.00**. Sale **\$15.00**

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Just as dainty as can be developed in georgette, satin, lace and messaline; delicate shades of pink, green, helio, yellow and white. Specially priced at **\$15.00**

High-Grade Dresses

An assortment of surprising values in Poiret Twill, Tricotine and French Serge. Values to \$39.50. **\$15.00**
All at one price.

Skirts

About fifty for choice, all kinds and sizes. Values to \$7.50. **\$3.95**

Down Comforters

Marked at Very Low Prices

Down Comforters, Floral Art Sateen Coverings in panel effects, filled with real purified down. Size 60 x 72. **\$10.95**
Regular \$15.95. Sale **\$11.95**
Regular \$18.95. Sale **\$13.95**

Wool Comforters, Regular \$19.50. **\$12.95**

Silk-covered in old rose and blue, filled with pure white wool. Size 60 x 72. **\$12.95**

Bathrobe Blankets, Regular \$9.50. **\$6.95**

Beautiful designs in brown, navy, green and grey; complete with girdle and frogs. Size 72 x 90.

Give Linens This Xmas

Pure Irish Linen Tablecloths

Size 68 x 68 Irish Linen Tablecloths, each **\$4.95**

Size 68 x 86 Irish Linen Tablecloths, each **\$6.95**

Also Napkins to match above cloths, in three designs, including spot, hilly, hilly of the valley and ivy, with rose border. Size 22 x 22. **\$6.00**

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50 Only. Damask Tablecloths, Size 58 x 72. Special **\$2.95**

Size 72 x 72. Special **\$3.95**

Size 72 x 90. Special **\$4.75**

12 Only. Damask Tablecloths, with lovely rose patterns. Size 58 x 58. Special **\$1.75**

each

10 Only. Damask Cloths, in excellent quality, carnation pattern. Size 70 x 70. Special, each **\$3.75**

Napkins to match, size 23 x 23. Special, per dozen **\$3.95**

Bathrobe Blankets

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less, banks, laundry sets, etc.

BARGAIN TABLE NO. 2

Regular Values to \$3.75. **\$1.98**

Sale
Steam engines, dressed dolls, cooking sets, aluminum tea sets,
table tennis, etc.

BARGAIN TABLE NO. 3

Regular Values to \$2.75. **\$1.49**

Sale
Games, steam engines, autos, clockwork trains, dolls, paint-
ing sets.

BARGAIN TABLE NO. 4

Regular Values to \$1.75. **98c**

Sale
Dolls, engines, laundry sets, dumping Sandy, books, stoves
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Regular Values to **\$16.85**
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Chinchilla Coats in tailored styles. Of camel cloth, with deep beaverline collars. Sizes 10 to 14 years.

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Regular \$12.95. **\$9.85**
Sale
Serviceable Coats, for girls 7 to 14 years, in hosiery mixtures, raglan sleeves, convertible collar and belt.

Warm Winter Coats

Regular \$17.95. **\$12.85**
Sale
Blanket Cloth and heavy plaid back coatings, tailored and fur-trimmed; navy and brown. Ages 10 to 14 years.

Blanket Cloth Coats

Regular to \$6.50. **\$4.95**
Sale
Warm Coats for little tots, in scarlet, navy, Copenhagen, brown and sand; lined throughout. Ages 3 to 6 years.

Engineer Claims Two-Span Bridge Cheaper Than One

City Official Answers Critics of Fact That Johnson Street Bridge Is Twins—Declares That Actually Plans Adopted Were More Economical—Gives Total Cost of Undertaking

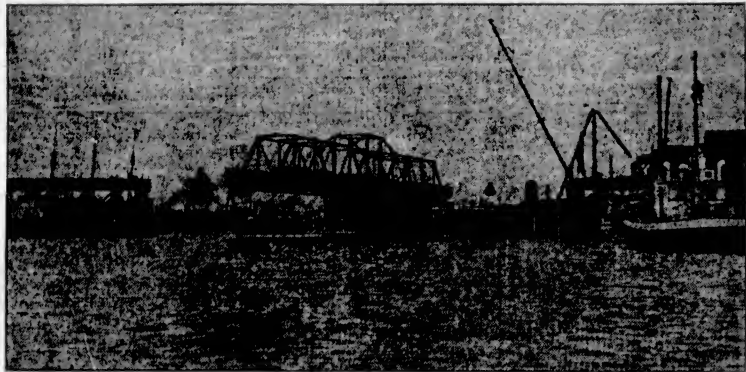
HIGHWAY SECTION WILL BE THROWN OPEN SHORTLY

WITH the Johnson Street Bridge practically completed, City Engineer F. M. Preston comes forward with an answer to those who have criticized the building of two bascule spans instead of one. To have combined the highway and railway sections into one structure, says Mr. Preston, would have been to increase not only the capital cost but the operating expense as well. The plan for dual spans, he explains, was the conception of the Strauss Bascule Bridge Company which selected it because of it being cheaper than a single span.

Another Phase
Owing to the desirability of keeping a certain distance away from the centre pier of the old railway span during the construction of the new bridge, for the sake of safety, says Mr. Preston, a single span incorporating both the railway and highway sections, would have had to have been built forty-five feet longer than pos-

sible under the dual-span scheme. The increase in cost would have been at least \$140,000 under such a plan, claims the Engineer.

Showing Construction Work On New Bridge



The Building of the Substructure Is Under Way in This Picture. The Old Bridge Remained in Use Until the Highway Span of the New Structure Was Completed, When the Trains Used It Until the Railway Portion Was Built.

crease in cost would have far out-shadowed any economies. It was cheaper, for example, to provide two sets of operating machinery than one for a combination railway and highway span.

The increased size of girders, etc., which would be required with a

single span would have made it necessary to build the bridge two and a half feet higher above the water in order that the proper clearance could be obtained beneath it. This would have required the raising of the E. & N. station two and a half feet, he claims.

Modern Bascule Bridge Which Spans Harbor



This Structure, Which Has Taken Three Years to Build, Will Cost \$920,000. The Two Spans, Which Are Independent of Each Other, Are Seen Lying Side by Side. One Is for the Use of the E. & N. Railway and the Other Is for Vehicular Traffic. The Highway Portion Will Be Thrown Open for Use Early in January. The Concrete Counterweights Balance the Spans for Lifting Purposes.

Street bridge, says Mr. Preston, will not exceed the \$920,000 set aside for it, provided the amount realized on the construction equipment comes within \$17,000 of the \$40,000 estimated to come from this source.

The original bridge by-law was for \$420,000, with \$200,000 from the Provincial Government and \$100,000 from the C.P.R. Later two addition-

of steel. When the original estimates were prepared, says the Engineer, the figure of 12 cents per pound for steel in place was in them, while at that time bridges were being built for 6 cents a pound and there seemed to be a wide margin of safety in the city's estimate. However, the price of steel rose until it reached 9.4 cents.

Mr. Preston also says that the Strauss estimates of weight proved to be too low in some cases owing to lack of data. He had accepted them because of the standing of the firm which had provided them.

The Quebec bridge, it has been pointed out, was estimated to cost \$17,000,000, but two structures collapsed before one was finally completed, after a total expenditure of \$40,000,000 had been made.

The construction of the Johnson Street bridge was commenced in January, 1921. The city built the substructure, while the superstructure contract was awarded to the Canadian Bridge Company.

Ten thousand cubic feet of concrete went into the abutments and piers for the bridge. To pour concrete under water, City Engineer Preston designed and patented a special bucket which performed the

work in a highly satisfactory manner.

The construction of the bridge was under the supervision of Mr. Preston while Mr. F. Allwood was the city's resident engineer on this job. The substructure was designed in the Engineer's Department by Mr. H. A. Icke, while the Strauss Bascule Bridge Company designed the superstructure.

Safeguards
The bridge is 212 feet in length, and consists of two bascule spans side by side, one being for highway purposes and the other carrying the railway tracks. The railway section is built to hold an axle load of twenty-five tons, the centre of the highway portion, used temporarily by the E. & N. during construction, being also designed to carry the same load, while the remainder of the highway section will support a twenty-five ton truck.

The two spans are operated by one man, there being two sets of electrical controls. The signals on the railway section must be set at danger before the gates can be closed; the gates must be closed before the locks holding the spans steadily in place can be withdrawn; and the locks must

be withdrawn before power can be applied to raise the span. The order is reversed in closing the bridge. Raising to full height can be accomplished in one minute and forty seconds.

The highway portion of the bridge was completed first, and the E. & N. trains diverted to the tracks laid upon it. The old railway bridge was then removed and the railway section constructed and put in use. The vehicular span has not been in use except for foot passengers because of it not being completed. The time which the concrete decking must be left before use will have expired by January 4, but further delay in securing the safety gates will not permit the opening of the highway section before January 11. City Engineer Preston stated yesterday.

In connection with the building of the bridge, Johnson Street has been constructed and paved through to Victoria West, giving a new and more direct route to the western portion of the city. The paving has been done by the Cotton Company. Parfitt Brothers had the contract for the concrete decking of the approaches to the highway portion.

Toronto Street Railway
TORONTO, Dec. 22.—R. J. Fleming was yesterday elected president of the Toronto Railway Company to replace Sir William Mackenzie.

Shawnigan Indignant At Cowichan Division Forced By Government

SHAWNIGAN LAKE, Dec. 22.—A regular meeting of the Cobble Hill and Shawnigan Lake branch of the Dunsmuir Board of Trade was held on Wednesday evening in the B.L.A.A. Hall, Shawnigan Lake. L. Col. F. T. Oldham was in the chair. Other members present were: Col. Eardley-Wilmot, Messrs. G. A. Chesko, F. T. Rifford, S. J. Heald, J. Ford, J. Finlay and J. Rathbone, the secretary. Intense indignation was expressed at the action of the Government in splitting up the Cowichan electoral district in the redistribution bill, and a strong resolution of protest was unanimously carried. After several important road matters had been settled, the meeting adjourned.

JAPANESE PROFESSOR DEAD

TOKYO, Dec. 22.—The vernacular newspapers here print the announcement of the death of Baron Nabiu Kanda, Professor Emeritus of Tokyo University, member of the House of Peers, and a graduate of Amherst College, who accompanied Viscount Shibusawa to the United States to attend the Washington arms conference in 1921 and 1922.

Enjoy Christmas



As Shakespeare says:—

"Now, good digestion
wait on appetite, and health on both."

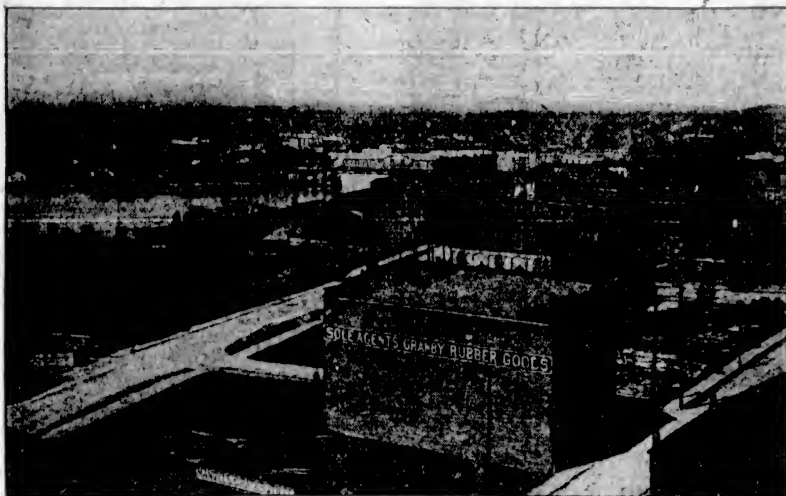
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Railway Swing Bridge Across Inner Harbor



The Railway Company Built a Span Over the Harbor Years After the First Bridge at This Spot Had Disappeared. Over It the Trains Crossed to the Station on Store Street Until the New Johnson Street Bridge Replaced the Old Structure. The Old Point Ellice Bridge, Which Collapsed With Disastrous Effects, Is Seen in the Background. The Yosemite, Once a Crack Steamer in These Waters, Is Seen at the Dock South of the Bridge.

single span would have made it necessary to build the bridge two and a half feet higher above the water in order that the proper clearance could be obtained beneath it. This would have required the raising of the E. & N. station two and a half feet, he claims.

patents the city paid a royalty. The company decided on a dual-span bridge, he says, because of it being \$25,000 cheaper than a single span, without taking into consideration the likelihood of a longer span, as explained in the preceding paragraph.

Reason for Increases
One of the chief reasons why the bridge has cost more than expected was the decisions arrived at, after the first estimates were made up, to strengthen the highway span so that it could be used temporarily by the railway, and also the increased cost

First Bridge Built Where New Structure Is



This Picture Was Taken From the Old Songhees Reserve, Looking East Across the Inner Harbor, in the Early Days When the Forest Was Pressing Close About What Is Today the Business Section of Victoria. The Bridge, Which Occupies Practically the Same Site of the New Johnson Street Bridge, Was Removed in 1863.



And, lo, the star which they saw
in the east, went before them

MATTHEW 2-9

Christmastide Greetings from Shelly Bros.

CENTRE PLAN MEETS
WITH GENERAL FAVOR

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Something for Nothing
Mr. A. R. Wolfenden, manager of the B.C. Permanent Loan Company: "There is no question about the Amusement Centre in my mind. I think it is pretty near good at the Empire Hotel. It will be a help to the city and to everyone in it; and as the C.P.R. is going to pay for it, there is no argument whatever against it. It is one of the best things that could be secured by Victoria. Think of the advertising the city is bound to get. The C.P.R. must advertise it to make it pay, and to advertise it they must do the same for the city. What we are going to get is far greater than what we are going to spend. We can never miss what it will cost us, because we have never had it, and would never have it in the absence of the Centre. We have been shouting out for swimming baths and that kind of thing for a long time, and now we are going to get everything we wanted, and someone else is going to pay for it. What could Victoria expect more than that?"

C.P.R. Ben'Part of It
Mr. J. E. Wilson, of Messrs. W. & J. Wilson: "Next week I am going to be out with my car working for this by-law. That is what I think of the Amusement Centre. All next week I intend to spend getting votes for it. I think we are getting it at a reasonable price and without any risk. If the city did not buy any such scheme it would have to sell bonds first of all, and interminable trouble would result thereafter. It would cost half as much again to build as will be the case under C.P.R. management, and very likely in two years would be abandoned altogether. The part about it that I like best is that the C.P.R. is building it. Even if it should not be a financial success, I am confident that the pride the C.P.R. takes in its business would mean that it would be maintained just as splendidly as the most successful enterprise. However, I feel that there is little danger of its failure to achieve the results anticipated. It will bring tourists to Victoria, and the whole city will benefit indirectly if not directly—it will be bringing money in from the outside, you know."

Hopes for Big Majority
Mr. R. W. Mayhew, manager Sidney Rooting & Paper Company: "Some people are suspicious of everything, but I cannot conceive of anyone opposing the Amusement Centre. As a matter of fact, I have yet to find anyone myself who is against it. From a business standpoint it is bound to help Victoria, for it will attract people here, and many of them will stay here. A fair percentage of tourists always remain, and the more that can be induced to come, the more will take up their residence here, and business in general will benefit. I hope that a very large majority will be polled to encourage the C.P.R. and make them feel that they have the full co-operation of the people of the city."

Will Help Theatres
Mr. Cliff Denham, manager Royal Victoria Theatre: "Since the war, theatres and amusement places generally have been having a hard time. As with all other commercial enterprises, the public will have to be educated to support the Amusement Centre. There is no doubt but what it will make a new theatre-going public; people who have formed the habit of sitting at home will be broken of that custom in many cases, and that will be beneficial for the theatres in the long run, although undoubtedly they will suffer at first. I think, too, that in fairness to the theatres, the Amusement Centre should confine its features to such directions as will not break into the theatres' business."

Desirable Project
Rev. Dr. Clay, pastor St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church: "I very cordially support the idea of the Amusement Centre. I have not gone into it very deeply, but it seems to me to be a very desirable project, and I hope it gets the support it deserves."

Another Blackpool
Mr. A. J. Watson, manager Victoria store, Hudson's Bay Company: "Although I am a newcomer to the city, having been here only for some five months, I am inclined to think that something of the sort is just what is wanted in Victoria. The Amusement Centre is probably the most important undertaking put before the people in the life of the city. While Nature has been lavish in her gifts of beauty to Victoria, this modern age asks for amusement as well as beauty. It was not until they established their amusement attractions that Blackpool, Scarborough, and other cities in England became the famous resorts that they are today. The Amusement Centre will do much for Victoria, for the merchants as much as for the city as a whole. If we can hold tourists here for three or four days or a week instead of one or two days, naturally the merchants will benefit largely; and it needs something of this sort to hold them. I think Victoria will make a great mistake unless this scheme is supported by a tremendous majority."

Best Thing for City
Mr. A. T. Goward, vice-president B.C. Electric Railway: "I am very strongly in favor of the Amusement Centre, because I think it will be the very best thing for Victoria. The only ones able to put up such a place are the C.P.R. and if they do it at all they can be relied upon to do it well. I feel that we should get behind them and let them see that we are glad to back them up. People in some cases seem to think that it will affect the pockets of the taxpayers, but I cannot see that at all. It is such a big thing that the C.P.R. will see it through, and that they will do it far more than counter-balance anything that Victoria gives."

The "Movie" Men
Mr. J. M. Robertson, manager Capitol and Dominion Theatres: "Although on the surface the Amusement Centre may appear to be a counter-attraction, I do not think the theatres have any reason to feel alarmed. A big in-the-movie attitude will get us nowhere. The 'movie' men will stand or fall on its

merits, for if people lose interest in the pictures they won't go to them even if there are no other attractions whatever.

"The Amusement Centre may hurt the theatres at the very start, but if it brings more tourists here, as seems assured, the show houses will soon benefit. If 5,000 or 10,000 more visitors are brought here in a year, the theatres are bound to get a good proportion of the new business. Anything that makes for the general prosperity of Victoria will help us. Besides, I think the Centre will have the effect of bringing Victoria people out more. People here are very conservative. The Centre will be an inducement to many home-stayers to spend more time in town at night, and this will react to the advantage of the theatres."

"The C. P. R. seems to have picked Victoria out as a place in which to spend a lot of money. How would we feel if they were making the offer to Vancouver instead of to Victoria? When we look at it that way it doesn't take us long to make up our minds that we have before us a great opportunity."

Transportation Men
Mr. W. M. Allan, general agent, Pacific Steamship Company: "Every body won't feast his soul on the beauty of nature, although we have lots of it around Victoria. It is a rare week-day even in summer when more than a handful of people can be found in our beautiful Beacon Hill Park. People on holiday want to be amused. Anything that can be done to induce tourists to make longer stays here gets my support. The fact that the C. P. R. is behind the Centre inclines me to approve of it in itself, for the fact is, I have great confidence in anything that the C. P. R. backs."

Mr. A. H. Hebb, general agent, Great Northern Railway: "I am in favor of it. I do not know whether it will increase taxes for me or not, but I am for it anyway. We will never get anywhere here in Victoria if we always think first of our taxes. It will be a good thing for the city, I think. It will brighten it and will induce people who now arrive on one boat and leave on the next to spend more time here. I am in favor of anything that will enliven the city."

New Era Forecasts
Mr. Robert Macdonald, member executive Canadian Legion, and councillor, Esquimalt municipality: "The fact that negotiations have been completed with the C. P. R. for the establishment of an Amusement Centre, and all that remains is for the people to pass it, must be very welcome news to those who are interested in the progressive development of the city."

"While we have all the advantages of natural scenery, etc., to attract visitors, at the same time it must be generally admitted that in the past we have not had the facilities to provide necessary amusements that would tend to retain tourists here for a period. The new Crystal Garden will fill the bill in that respect, and there is no doubt but what it will be a profitable venture. In South of England tourist resorts they have salt water private baths, swimming baths, municipal orchestras, etc., undoubtedly these attractions have assisted in building up the south coast watering places."

"The progressive development of Victoria must eventually benefit the surrounding municipalities, and I am certain that every citizen of Greater Victoria will not only wish the by-law success, but will lend their active assistance in having it passed on December 23 by a record majority. I venture to state that the passing of the Amusement Centre by-law will be the beginning of a new era of prosperity for this part of the island, and will directly and indirectly benefit not only the merchants, but every wage earner in the locality."

The fact that the C. P. R. is behind the venture is a guarantee that the Amusement Centre will be visited by many thousands of visitors, and as the company will wish to make it pay, it will naturally give Victoria a considerable amount of free advertising."

Victoria's Best Bet
Mr. W. G. Gaunce, campaign manager, Citizens' Amusement Centre Committee: "For some years now there has been a conviction in the minds of many of our citizens that the development of something in the nature of an amusement centre would be a great boon to the citizens and a great attraction to visitors. The more the said centre might embrace in the nature of indoor and outdoor attractions the better for the success of the undertaking."

"Private capital was sought for the enterprise by clear-visioned citizens, convinced of the merits of attraction, but private capital, ever wary, did not respond."

"This being clearly manifest, two possible ways only seemed open for the desired end. As a civic enterprise, the city would have to start with a most suitable site, the present Stadium grounds, now totally non-productive, and, unless we used, likely to remain so. For the erection of equipment at all suitable, an initial outlay of \$200,000 would be needed. For the city to borrow that money on a twenty-year plan, say, would mean for interest, sinking fund and discounts, practically \$150,000 yearly. Then the great question of management and advertising would arise. A municipally-managed enterprise of this character would be somewhat ineffective, I fear. As to advertising, this properly done, would involve the expenditure of many thousands of dollars annually. The people hoped to be attracted here by the attractions planned live in many lands, and no local, provincial, Dominion or even hemisphere advertising would suffice. To make our yearly investment of \$150,000 productive to the citizens generally would, under divine management, prove impossible, I fear."

The C. P. R. Offer
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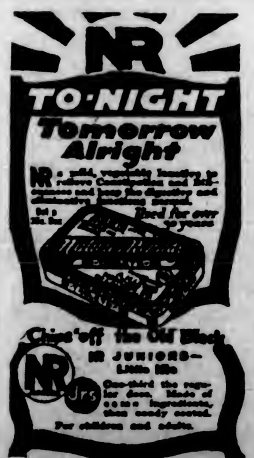
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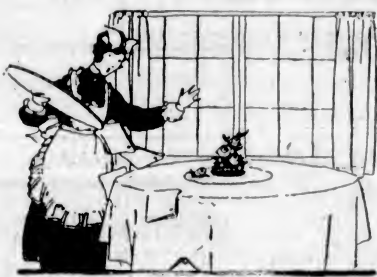
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Men's Negligee Shirts, with soft fronts and starch cuffs. Made from percales, patterned in neat blue or black stripes on a white ground. All sizes. Each — **\$2.25**



Men's British-Made Oxford and Cambric Shirts, made in negligee style, with neckband and soft double cuffs and patterned in fancy stripes on a white ground. Values at — **\$2.75 and \$3.75**

Men's White Negligee Shirts, with starch neckband and soft double cuffs; plain cambric cord and fancy silk stripes. Beautiful Shirts at — **\$1.75 to \$3.75**

Men's All White Cambric Negligee Shirts; with soft fronts, starch cuff and centre pleat. A neat shirt for any occasion. All sizes. Each — **\$3.00**

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Men's High Grade Negligee Shirts, made from English broadcloth. A superior wearing material, equal in appearance to silk, at a lower price. White, plain colors or stripes, with or without separate collar — **\$6.25 to \$14.95**

Men's Union Flannel Shirts of excellent weight cloth with turndown collar attached; pocket and band cuffs. Sizes 14 1/2, 15 and 15 1/2. Each — **\$2.25**

English Flaxman Oxford Shirts, for work or outing wear, with or without collar attached, and patterned in light or medium color stripes; pull-over styles; band or button cuffs. All sizes. Each — **\$2.35**

—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

Babies' Dresses Special Prices Monday

Dresses of fine quality cashmere, trimmed with hemstitching and silk embroidery; others of fine all-over embroidery. Priced for gift buyers on Monday at **\$1.95, \$2.25 and \$3.50**

Dainty Dresses of silk and crepe de Chine, shown in a variety of styles, **\$4.75, \$5.75 and \$6.75**

—Infants', 1st Floor

Children's Wool Tams Dainty Gifts for 95¢ and \$1.25

English Wool Tams for girls; shades, red, white, navy and sage; for the ages of 2 to 6 years. Each, **95¢**

'Girls' Tams of English wool, red, white, navy, green and sage; for the ages of 8 to 14 years. Special value — **\$1.25**

—Children's, 1st Floor

The Daintiest of Lingerie for Women's Gifts



Silk Moire Petticoats, best grade and English make. Shown in all shades and offered at **\$4.50** and **\$5.90**

Chiffon Taffeta Skirts and excellent grade English Taffetas, shown in all the new colors and Roman stripes. Special value at — **\$5.75**

A delightful assortment of Silk and Satin Camisoles. Special at **\$1.90**

Camisoles of fine dimity and dainty muslin, with lace yokes or silk tops. Priced at — **\$1.25**

Camisoles of heavy satin; shades, white, mauve and flesh, trimmed with lace, ribbons and French flowers — **\$2.75, \$3.50, \$3.90**

Pongee Bloomers in natural colors and of fine grade material, finished with double elastic at knee. Special at — **\$2.50**

Bloomers of spun silk, white and flesh only — **\$3.90**

Bloomers of satin, all colors — **\$3.90, \$4.90 and \$5.90**

Boudoir Caps in a great variety of styles, made of silk, lace, muslin and net, and trimmed with lace and ribbons. Priced at — **50¢, 75¢, 95¢ and \$1.00**

Kimonos in all the newest colors. These are trimmed with hand-embroidered designs in silk. Priced at **\$3.50, \$3.90** and **\$4.50**

Kimonos of box lawn crepe in blue, rose and peach. Priced at — **\$7.50 and \$8.50**

—Whitewear, 1st Floor

Gift Gloves for Women, Best Styles and Grades

French Kid and Suede Gauntlet Gloves, made of soft, pliable skins; perfect fitting gloves, dressy and smart in appearance and shown in all wanted shades. A pair — **\$4.50**

Cape Skin Gauntlet Gloves with one dome strap and gusset of contrasting color. Shown in shades of brown, grey and beaver. A pair — **\$3.75**

Non-Rip Driving Gauntlets of excellent quality and weight. They are finished with strap wrist fastener and in brown shade only. A pair — **\$3.50**

Mocha Suede Gauntlet Gloves, of soft, pliable skin and shown in grey and beaver with contrasting gusset and welt. A pair — **\$3.50**

Novelty Cape Skin Gloves, made with turn-back cuffs of suede effect, in contrasting color. They have silk embroidered backs and are in shades of brown, grey and beaver — **\$3.95**

Novelty Cape Skin Gloves, smart in appearance, with fancy silk stitch back and turn-back cuffs, in black and white effect. The shades are brown, grey and beaver. A pair — **\$3.95**

Cape Skin Gauntlet Gloves of exceptional quality and with newest flare reversible cuffs, with strap encircling wrist; trimmed with pearl buckles. Colors brown, grey and beaver — **\$4.75**

—Gloves, Main Floor

Silk or Fine Wool Socks Are Gifts Men Fully Appreciate

All-Wool Socks (Wolsey Brand), made in England. These are shown in fancy, lovat or heather shades; cashmere, with reinforced feet, and without clocks; unshrinkable. Special value, a pair — **\$1.25**

Penman's Black and Brown All-Wool Cashmere Socks, a pair — **50¢**

Penman's All-Wool Cashmere Socks, colors or black, a pair — **75¢**

All-Wool English-Made Socks, excellent Winter weight, worsted, 3-and-1 rib, heather shades, for — **65¢**

2 pairs for — **\$1.25**

All-Wool Worsted Socks, colors and black. Special value, a pair — **45¢**

Men's Socks of pure thread silk, colors and black. **75¢** to **\$1.75**

Pure Thread Silk Socks with a lace stripe. A pair at — **\$1.00**

Men's Fine Pure Wool Cashmere Socks, made in England; blue lovat, green lovat and heather shades; sizes 10 to 15 1/2. Specially attractive gifts for men. A pair — **\$1.25**

Pure Thread Silk Socks, with fancy embroidered clocks, at — **\$1.50**

3 pairs for — **\$4.25**

Men's Fine Cashmere Socks, Sportsman brand. These are in assorted heather shades, with fancy art silk clocks; sizes 10 to 11 1/2, at a pair — **\$1.25**

Men's All-Wool Golf Hose, made in England. Big value at a pair — **\$1.35**

—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

Ties for Men, Neatly Boxed for Presentation

Bow Ties of Cheney silk, patterned in fancy stripes and checks. Each — **75¢**

Art Silk Knitted Ties in fancy stripes. Each, **75¢** and **\$1.00**

Silk Ties in fashionable shapes; a fine selection to choose from, in special Christmas boxes — **\$2.50**

Men's Pure Silk Knitted Ties, in fancy or bar stripes and black. Each, **\$2.00** and **\$1.50**

Men's Fine Silk Knitted Ties, in beautiful shades and crossbar stripes; handsome ties, and big values at — **\$2.95**



—Men's Furnishings, Main Floor

The Colonist's Pictorial Page



Switzerland is the playground of Europe at this time of year, where thousands are gathering for the winter sports. The photograph gives a view of Kloster's bridge.



Major H. C. L. Strange, of Fenn, Alberta, carried off the world's wheat championship at the Chicago international show. He has been a farmer for only the past four years.



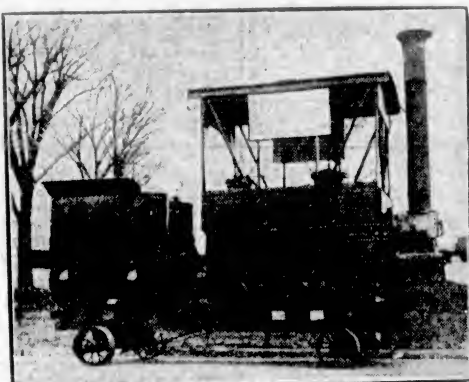
An unfamiliar picture of Spaulding, the foremost American violinist, whose hobby when "off duty" is playing the ocarina, better known as the "musical sweet potato".



This monster grizzly, one of the largest ever shot in northern Alberta, was laid low during a recent hunting party. The animal tips the scales at 1,200 pounds.



Madame Caruso, widow of the famous tenor, and Capt. E. A. Ingram, the bridegroom, photographed in the doorway of Brompton Oratory, London, immediately after their marriage.



This locomotive, named the "Mississippi", is claimed to be the oldest engine on this continent. It weighs 14,000 pounds, and was built in Europe in 1834. It was the feature at a pageant of progress at Lincoln recently.



Miss Susan Lawrence, running in East Ham, enjoys the distinction of being the first unmarried woman in the commons. She has long been interested in social service.



Two little visitors to Grovelands Park, Winchmore Hill, England, share their crumbs with the wild fowl.



Mme. Matchabelli, a Florentine princess, a brunette, sailed for New York to compete with a blonde, Lady Diana Duff-Cooper, as to which will play the Madonna in the stage production of "The Miracle".



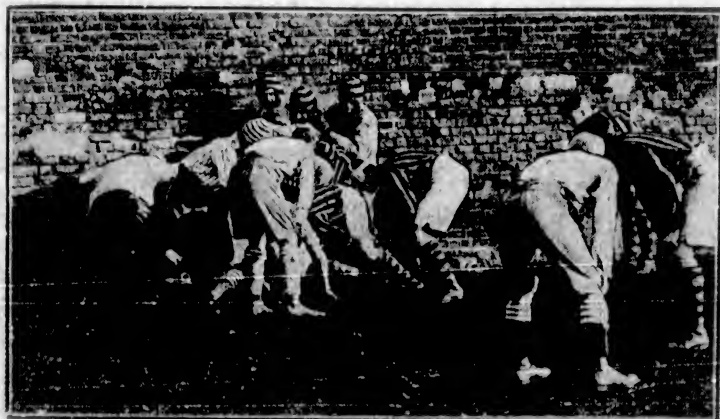
Senorita Miralle, gipsy dancer of Madrid, claims to know everything that is going to happen. She is credited with foretelling the Japanese 'quake, the Spanish military coup, and other events.



Bob Pender, who became famous as Drury Lane's clown, is coming from his retirement to once again engage in acrobatic frenzy in a London pantomime on Boxing Day.



Claiming to be cured of tuberculosis, by drinking goat's milk, a farmer near Atlanta, Georgia, has gone in for raising the animals on a large scale. Here is one of his charming farmerets going about her daily chores.



It was a rough and tumble scene at the famous Eaton College, on St. Andrew's Day, during the students' annual wall game.



The Prince of Wales, president of the British Empire Exhibition of 1924, visited the grounds at Wembley recently and made a complete tour of the exhibition to see the progress of the work.



Large crowds heard every word of President Coolidge's first message to Congress, with the aid of radio amplifiers installed outside of the Capitol.

A Danish Folk Tale

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Spillover/underflowing



Germany Is Ready To Put Huge Armies In Field, Say French

Russia Is Accused of Pouring War Materials Over the Frontier While Factories Work in Secret—Lignite Serves Coal Problem—Reich Tries to Get Around Treaty Provisions

STATEMENTS SHOW DANGER OF END OF ALLIED CONTROL

PARIS, Dec. 22.—To what extent in the last eleven months, since France took over the Ruhr, has Germany been able to arm herself in defiance of the treaty?

It is the one question which every one in Europe, unless, perhaps, the Germans and Russians, have been asking of late. It is the question which nearly has led to a complete rupture of the truce between England and France. It is a question which nobody can answer for certain, but one for which the French are ready with replies of rather alarming character.

The activities of the Inter-Allied Commission of Military Control, a group of unfortunately situated military gentlemen who sit in Berlin and receive high salaries from the German Government, in accordance with the treaty, have for eleven months amounted to less than the dust. None of the reports which they have made has been sent to Germany, demanding that these gentlemen be allowed to pursue their undesirable task of determining unobserved and unobtainable facts in the Ruhr. Several of the commission have been treated rather badly when they attempted to count a few bullets on Bavarian shoulders and in the Ruhr, Germany has all this time been doing what she pleased. The French firmly believe Russia is pouring large stocks of war materials into Germany besides what the factories of the Ruhr are producing and others have been able to create clandestinely.

Limited By Treaty

Limited by the treaty in what concerns the activity of the Reichswehr, or national army, the espionage, armaments and munitions stocks, the Reich must get around these provisions. And get around them they have, say the French, undoubtedly extremely well. By secret measures it is believed that 7,000,000 men could be mobilized instantly in Germany, springing up like the mythical warriors of Cadmus from dragon teeth of Russian make.

The ships, armed and fully equipped, does not have to spring from the soil; he has there, ready, forming a very strong army.

According to the treaty the Reichswehr must comprise 100,000 men and the ships 150,000. It might be well to recall here that as regards armaments the makers of the Versailles pact decreed Germany should be allowed 4,000 rifles, 1,326 machine guns, 253 trench mortars, 18,000 carbines, 40,000,000 cartridges for rifles, 254 cannons, among other stipulations of lesser note. Then it should be remembered that since January 11, when the Ruhr was seized, the Reichswehr has been increased to 1,000,000 men and the ships to 1,000,000. The Inter-Allied Commission is provided to look after these figures and see that they are not exceeded, has been forced to remain in the Ruhr in vain while all sorts of things were happening in Bavaria and Saxony. Whatever arming Germany has indulged in, or at least the making of it, has taken place since General Nolte's Commission involuntarily retired.

A view of the present situation as the French see it recently was given by Pierre Bérès, in "Le Monde," to whom The Tribune also is indebted for the use of its maps. After calling attention to the grave need of making General Nolte's Commission effective once more, he says:

War Materials

"On the question of war materials things are in the same state, according to the Allied statistics on the destruction of such material. It is on this subject that the charges of the French have been the most tenacious. On September 23 the official Inter-Allied note showed that the war manufacturing plants had not yet been transformed their producing elements in conformity with the decisions of the Inter-Allied Commission of Control. On May 5, 1923, the Inter-Allied Commission of Control, under Secretary of the War Office, declared before the House of Commons that the stocks of war materials discovered in Germany by the Commission, besides arms and ammunition regularly delivered, amounted to sixty-three complete guns, 354 guns, 1,570 shells, seven trench mortars, 149 machine guns, 438,340 rifles and revolvers and 8,227,497 cartridges for same. The simple comparison of these figures, taken from English documents, with those of the treaty is eloquent.

"It is to be noted that this illicit manufacture took place during the period of activity of the Inter-Allied Commission of Control. One may then draw the conclusion that in their work, uninterrupted since January 11, this production, not hindered by inspection, has increased sufficiently to permit Germany to arm the fighting elements of its secret mobilization.

Lost 'Jugular Vein'

"It remains to study the manner in which the Reich has achieved this industrial work without the Ruhr, as does also the conclusion that may be drawn therefrom. Deprived of its 'jugular vein' from Essen to Dortmund, of the Rhine factories, and also the great mines of High Silesia, granted to Poland, the Reich still possesses in central Germany a mining district of which the lignite value is equal to that of the Ruhr in coal. Thanks to lignite, this region, which comprises Brunswick, Prussian Saxony, Saxony and Brandenburg, possesses the motive power for transformation and completion. By distilling this combustible product one obtains the same sub-products as from coal, so this sub-products, far from the Franco-Belgian armies, whether chemical and mechanical, Ruhr, comprising Magdeburg, Plauen and the

country south of Dresden, with ramifications in High Silesia.

Saale Replaces Rhine

"The Rhine Valley is industrially replaced by those of the Saale, with Leuna, the greatest chemical works of the world, and Halle, with its five large plants, the Elbe and the Oder. It is sufficient for them that the Reich, by importations, should supply these plants with the material which the Ruhr gave in the proportion of 80 per cent.

"These statements show the real danger of the stoppage of Inter-Allied control in Germany. The comparison between the two maps shown proves that even before January 11, when the commission was able to do its work, clandestine war material was discovered by the Allied officers, especially in central and Oriental Germany, and far from the Ruhr."

HARBIN GAY BUT NOT CENTRE OF SIN

Reports That Manchurian City Is Another Sodom and Gomorrah Are Refuted

HARBIN, Dec. 22.—This city, reputed to be the last outpost of sin, open and unabashed, has been found to be less wicked than supposed. Those miserably atrocious but sometimes alluring forms of amusement that have given to the world the phrase, "demi-monde," and long since have been abandoned by the traditional haunts in Paris, Vienna, Havana and Buenos Aires, were supposed to have found refuge in Harbin.

Even Shanghai, known as a man's town and a port which rumor has portrayed as a city of lotus and poppy, where people do as they please, had been given second place to Harbin in the matter of immoral doings. The truth is, neither Shanghai nor Harbin resemble Babylon to any great degree. In Shanghai the public is all worked up over the question: Can a cabaret girl be good? In Harbin the problem is to get cabaret girls.

Harbin is a young and foreign town. It is Russian rather than Chinese. It is a mixture of village and metropolis; of crudeness and elegance, and of the pursuit of pleasure and of those sturdier pursuits common to the Wolfville and Main Streets of every country. There is no drinking and no smoking, no horses lunging through the water dragging droshkies up to the axles. The principal occupation of the shopkeepers here seems to be sitting on the street. There are many women and girls from the grottoes of Moscow and Petrograd and from nearer cities who are here to amuse and be amused, but above all to get in this wild, new place a livelihood or perhaps a small fortune which some day they hope to take back to relatives. But there are plenty of good women, too. The fresh ruddy faces of women lately peasants or the daughters of peasants abound. And like the women of all new towns who have menfolk and children to care for they work hard.

MORE POTENT BEER DELIGHTS SWEDEN

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 22.—The old adage that troubles come not singly has been reversed in Sweden; at least, that is what the bulk of the population in Stockholm think. One day they learn that the charges for beer and electricity will be greatly reduced during the winter, the next that water rates will also be cut, and the third that beer is to be made stronger. And all these reports are true.

The Swedish Riksdag has voted to permit the increase of the alcohol content in beer from 2.6 per cent to 3.2 per cent by weight. Since Stockholm voted wet on last year's national referendum on prohibition, which was, in fact, a general vote on the new legislation. The consumption of hard liquors in Sweden, however, is steadily on the decrease, official reports showing that the total consumption in 1922 was 10 per cent less than in 1920, and 42 per cent less than in 1913.

WOODWORKERS GET AUTONOMY

LONDON, Dec. 22.—In view of the difficulties of preserving continuity between the parent organization and branches in the United States and Canada, the Amalgamated Society of Woodworkers of Great Britain has decided to give their American membership complete local autonomy and control over their own affairs. It is stated that management expenses in the United States and Canada have grown to an average annual charge of more than 25 shillings per member.

LET VAST WEALTH ESCAPE

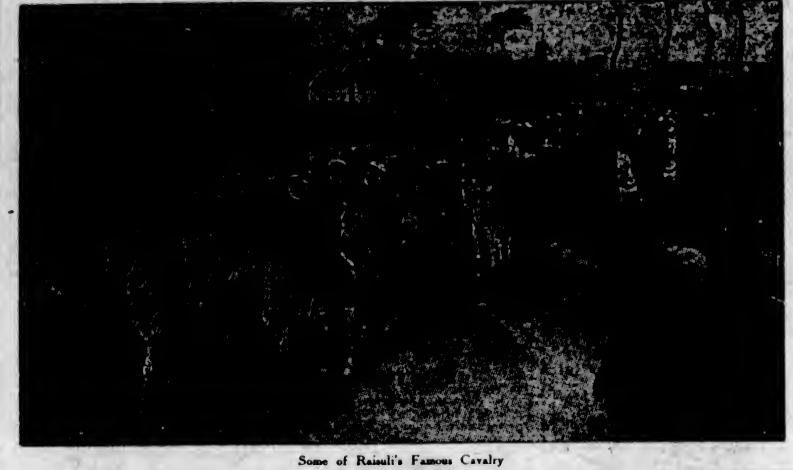
LONDON, Dec. 22.—The man responsible for the opening of the Kimberley diamond fields, in South Africa, said the fields for \$2,500, believing them exhausted after having removed several thousand stones. The fields have yielded diamonds ever since, and have made Edward, the Duke of Streeter, who died here recently at the age of 89, retained his property he would have been one of the richest men in the world.

Floating Mines Set as Large

CHRISTIANIA, Dec. 22.—Mines scattered over the North Sea during the war continued to be washed along the Norwegian coast, and although they have been adrift for four or five years, most of them are as active as when they were first discovered.

One mine exploded recently near the Torbjørnaker Lighthouse and threw a column of water 140 feet in the air, the explosion being heard for many miles.

Warriors of Late Notorious Brigand Chief



Some of Raisuli's Famous Cavalry

Death of Raisuli Ends Spectacular Career

Moroccan Bandit Leader Gained World Fame Many Times With His Sensational Kidnapping Exploits—Often Reported Dead, He Is Now Reported to Have Succumbed to Poison—Was for Period Governor of Tangier

THIS picturesque career of the legendary Robin Hood, were it to be taken from the depths of Sherwood Forest to the desert wastes of Spanish Morocco and there re-enacted in these modern times, would scarcely be more replete with colorful adventure than was the life of Mulai Ahmed Raisuli, international bandit de luxe, whose many kidnappings and ransoms in connection with his more than forty years of brigandage have netted him a dozen great powers, not excepting the United States. Raisuli is reported to have been killed by poisoning last week.

Raisuli first ran afoul the United States Government in 1904, when he kidnapped and held for ransom Ian H. Percidaris, an American subject born in Athens, and Cromwell Varley, his son-in-law, a British citizen. Mr. Percidaris, reported to be immensely wealthy, owned a beautiful summer villa in the Beni Arros Hills of Morocco, where it was his custom to entertain many European notables in the traditional style. One night, while a brilliant dinner-dance was in progress, a band of outlaws, headed by Raisuli, quietly surrounded the home, overpowered the host and his son-in-law and carried them, still in their evening clothes, to the bandit's lair in the mountains back of a Kabyle village.

Wave of Protest
While a wave of indignation over the incident was sweeping the United States, the Government sent a war vessel to Tangier and also ordered the Sultan to bring about the immediate release of Mr. Percidaris, for whom Raisuli was demanding a ransom of \$70,000. The Sultan, however, dreading to dignify the bandit by treating him as a kidnaper, refused to do so.

Another side of Raisuli's character is told in connection with the capture of a Bashaw officer. It seems that he had no grievance against this particular officer, but was bitter against the Bashaw, therefore, he arranged to sell his captive to some tribesman whom the man was alleged to have wronged years before. Having paid Raisuli his price, the tribesman calmly cut the prisoner's throat at the door of the room in which Raisuli was seated and where the whole transaction had taken place in the presence of the victim, who well knew his fate.

Women Will Membership Rights

TIENTSIN, Dec. 22.—Women's rights won a victory at the first annual meeting of the American Association of Tientsin, when it was voted, 22 to 15, to admit women as members. The question of women's eligibility came up on a motion that it was the intent of the constitution to include women in the term "American citizens." The association was formed by business and professional men to promote American interests in the Orient.

PRAGUE WILL EXPORT SUGAR

PRAGUE, Dec. 22.—The sugar crop of Czechoslovakia is estimated at year that, after meeting local needs to the extent of 330,000 tons, the republic will have 570,000 tons for export.

How Germans Treat Their Mark Sharks

German sharks who have worked up a profitable business exporting worthless paper marks for the new money which Germany is trying to establish, are sometimes badly handled by the police. The picture shows one man who duped factory workers into parting with their wages for the old paper marks being led away to safety by German police.

Pompeii's Glory Will Soon Be Resurrected By New Excavations

City Which Was Stricken While Seething With Life Is Now Being Reconstructed From Ruins Dug Out of Ashes—Many Houses Are Still Found to Be Intact

RESTORING PARTY BARES GARDENS, STREETS, FURNITURE

POMPEII.—Among all the ruins of the ancient world, none are more instructive and none provide a more detailed and fascinating idea of what life was like in the Roman Empire at the time of its greatest power than those of Pompeii.

Much new information concerning life in this imperial Roman town at the time of Nero and before has been brought to light by the recent excavations which have just been thrown open to the world by King Victor Emmanuel. Mr. Edgar S. Aldrich tells about it in The New York Tribune.

During the last eleven years, under the able direction of Professor Spinazzola, government excavations have uncovered and reconstructed about eighteen hundred feet of the "via dell'Abbondanza," one of the gayest streets of the ancient city, where were located the finest shops, whose fronts are covered with colored pictures, illustrated advertisements, election posters and the owners' names, and on whose shelves are still the goods laid out to attract Pompeian buyers, who were so suddenly overwhelmed by the fiery flood of Mount Vesuvius on that fatal August day, A.D. 79.

Today, when I stepped through the high wooden gateway, I would have felt no surprise to have seen and heard the chariot rumbling down this street, which has remained hidden for all the Christian centuries, and to have watched the faces of people, full of life and color, as it was in Roman times. At intervals are deep square lava troughs, about five feet square, which were filled originally by fountains spouting from ornamental heads. One can still see the depressions on the edges of these troughs worn by the hands of the passersby as they bent over the fountains to drink.

Original Scenes Retained

Over the sidewalks in front of the buildings still stand the loggias, or porticoes, covered with the original tiles, while in the excavated houses the wooden doors still have their hinges and curious iron locks in place, with glass and iron bars in the windows.

The advertisements, which were painted in red letters, sometimes a foot high, are as bright and legible as when put there more than eighteen centuries ago. The local enthusiasm for gladiator contests is recorded by several inscriptions, one of which announces that "on the 4th of April there will be, in the amphitheatre at Pompeii a fight of twenty couples of gladiators. There will be also a procession, a hunting of wild beasts and athletic competitions; and the amphitheatre will be protected by the 'valerio' (awning)." The writer has painted his name, "Eulalia," in the O of the word "dispositional," and ends with a greeting to his beautiful "Nigra Vals," whose small portrait is painted in the same green ink.

Another announcement says that "on the 18th of June there will be a performance in the amphitheatre in honor of the dedication of the Public Library in the Pompeian Forum. There will be a fight of thirty couples of gladiators and a fight of wild beasts, and over the amphitheatre will be extended the 'valerio' against the sunburn."

Workmen's Methods

It was extremely interesting to watch the workmen at Pompeii, and see the new methods of systematic excavation now used by Professor Spinazzola, which not only frees the buildings and contents, but liberally reassembles them from the earth. His method is to work down slowly from the top by broad bands or layers from one to five inches in depth, picking the ashes, lava and stones of carefully by hand and sifting them, and when a trace of anything is found the material surrounding it is delicately removed. If a wall or arch needs strengthening it is filled with cement brick by inch, and exact copies or molds are made and replaced on the spot.

All the statues and movable objects are left exactly where they are found, and I could still see on the shelves of the shops the lamps, earthenware, bottles, kitchen utensils, gold and silver ornaments, candelabra and jewelry. On the roadside alters and in the inside shrines are the ashes of the last sacrifices offered in Pompeii just before its destruction.

In none of the older excavations were the second stories of the buildings preserved, but now you can walk up stairs in the jeweler's house and out on the overhanging balcony and look down in the street or into his garden and see the trunks of seven trees which once gave him shade. Even the roots of the plants have been found, and now vines and roses climb over the pergolas exactly as they used to in the beginning of the Christian era. There are the mosaic pavements and the beautifully frescoed ceilings of the first floor nearly intact and fresh with their original colors. In one house was the smoking mark of a lamp on the top of a niche where it hung, and in another house there is a pile of lime still in the hallway, where it was being used to repair the house after the earthquake a few years before.

The Largest House

By these slow, painstaking methods there have been found even the impressions of the panels of the beds and the folds of a sheet which had long since crumbled into dust. No wonder it has taken twelve years to reconstruct the house after the earthquake a few years before.

On the walls of the rooms of this house, painted upon the smooth stucco in brilliant colors of red, yellow, black and green and beautifully executed by a noted artist, are pictures of Roman soldiers in uniform, an Egyptian priestess with the traditional lotus in her hand, and many scenes from the Illiad.

Looking for breaks in the earth's crust. Experts exploring American continent to find weak places—May Then Be Able to Forecast Quakes

LOOKING FOR BREAKS IN EARTH'S CRUST

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—An exhaustive study in earthquakes in and near the American continent is being made by the weather bureau in cooperation with the Coast and Geodetic Survey, the Canadian meteorological officials, a number of universities and about 5,000 volunteers.

Among the university records which are proving of great value are those kept by Father Tondorf, a charge of the seismological laboratory at Georgetown University, whose announcement that a violent earthquake had been registered by his instruments was the first news given the world of the Japanese disaster.

William J. Humphreys, professor of meteorological physics, has charge of the weather bureau's work. The purpose of the study, he said, primarily is to determine the exact locations of breaks and cracks in the earth's crust and to gain knowledge of the structure of the land, although it is hoped eventually to develop a method by which earthquakes may be forecast and their danger minimized.

Only a persistent study, in the opinion of Father Tondorf, can lead to a reliable basis of forecasting earthquakes.

"The geography of earthquakes," he said, "is certain and invariable. No earthquake can happen except in the line of weakness in the earth's crust. Evidently these lines of weakness can only give when the stresses brought to bear on them are sufficiently great. Geological changes, discernable at the surface and within reach of mathematical computation, must be taken into account in the release of such stresses. On the basis that these releases of stresses do not happen suddenly but gradually, suitably staked pendula might betray these displacements.

The value of the earthquake data being accumulated by the weather bureau, Professor Humphreys said, is revealed chiefly in its application to large engineering undertakings, particularly water supply systems.

SLAVES OF ASSAM LOOK ASKANCE AT LIBERATORS

RANGOON, India, Dec. 22.—Many of the slaves still in bondage in the Burmese-Assamese border district are quite satisfied with their present state, and in fact, the recent efforts of the Government to suppress slavery and human sacrifice in the Northeast Frontier Division to improve their conditions. The efforts of the Government to suppress slavery and human sacrifice in the district have been hampered not only by the animosity of the slave owners, but also by the slaves themselves, and very little has been accomplished.

There are today 115 slaves in this district, and they are described as either contented, or too lazy and opium-addicted to wish to become free. Human sacrifice has been confined to a comparatively small area of unadministered territory in the Naga hills, but there is no doubt it flourishes there. The victims, in most cases, are Indian children, and are generally purchased in the head hunting villages to the south, whose inhabitants, while not practicing human sacrifice themselves, do not hesitate to provide victims for others.

Threats by the Government

Threats by the Government, and native overlords responsible to the Government, have been entirely disregarded, and the tribes bountiful to obtain victims and sacrifice them in secret.

POLAND IMPROVES RAILROADS

WARSAW, Dec. 22.—Poland today has a railroad organization of its own, created since the war, and made up of three old systems, the Russian, the Austrian and the German. Colonel A. B. Barber, an American, has been the technical adviser of the Government in this work, which has presented many difficulties. The financial burden is still heavy, and there is a deficit. Some people suggest that the Government should to this Government is opposed. It will at once reduce the number of employees and increase rates.

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Letters of a Japanese Schoolboy

By WALLACE IRWIN

MARY CHRISTMAS
To Editor, Hon. Colonist, who should do something brilliant about raising high tariff on red ribbons during month of Dec.
Dearest Sir—
My brain refuse to ring bells in connection with annual Yuletide jingling. Xmas will be Tuesday, yet what can I do to stop it? Approach up of that yearly give-away festivity fill my elbows with fright. I could not get used to it, no matter how. Shall I tell you why, Mr. Editor? Then get ready to be shocked.
I do not believe in Sandy Clause! Could you imagine that any person could be so disgusting like that? My thoughts gets very skiptickle about that Saint who was made in Germany.

I was working for family name of Mrs. & Mr. Cutlase at Rock Hill, Conn. This was a very Pluto family of high riches so I sleep fashionably in nice bedroom resembling Pullman cars.
"It were the night before Xmas & all through the house. Everything prepared for Mary Xmas tomorrow. Down in many dining room Mrs. & Mr. Cutlase were draping Tree with thorn fruit and other deceptive vegetables which would prove to their children, Willie & Millie respectfully, that their parents was similar to Hon. Geo. Washington, disabled to tell a lie.
"Cousin Nogi, I spend happy evening there, listening through pantry while hearing those Cutlase family tell how they will play April Foolish joke on their unexpecting children. They

"With such exclamation he grab fire-escape and slope away. I were sure he was Sandy Clause because I could hear him talking to his Rain Bears in snow-storm outside.
"Next morning a. m. Hon. Cutlase Family commence acting very 4th of July.
"Somebody got in house and robbed away my silverware, my electric wrist-watch & 13 lbs diamond necklace! holla Mrs. & Mr. in unicorn. Togo, did you see anybody clumping porches last night?
"Only Sandy Clause. I devote punctually.
"Why you not tell us?" they renig peevily.
"I wish him to be a surprise, Mrs. Madam, I blemish.



"Hon. Sandy Clause were holding an enlarged shoot-gun close to my frightened eyebrow."

It was just like I told my Cousin Nogi last Weddy p. m. when he come to borrow my cigar for a while.

"Sandy Clause are a very jenny-wine person," I told him. "Considerable people has met him."

"Considerable people met Doc Cook also," I dictate, "yet do that make him very jenny-wine?"

"It are the Gen. Belief that he keep an apartment in the N. Pole and come down sneeky with alpsire for everybody."

"Nogi say this with firm-tooth expression."

"Are you referring to Old Doc Cook or Old Doc Clause?" I ask to know.

"Old Doc Clause, natchilly," deary Nogi. "He are the friend of all doctors."

"Doc Frank (Cline) say so. 'Every child should know him.' What you think now?"

"No child of mine, if any, shall shook hands with this Hon. Sandy Clause!" I utter. "No, Sarah! Nextly you know he will be selling them oil-stocks, which are too much."

"What make you so blue-hearted and pessimism?" ellicite my close Cousin. "Would you shoot away all children's happiness from England, America, Ireland & New Jersey by insulting Sandy Clause? Ah, wicked Togo! You would not speak thusly if you ever met this nice Claus gentleman!"

Santa and Mr. Bryan. "Quite contrary," I dib. "I speak thusly because I once did meet Hon. Sandy Clause."

"O goody!" exclaim Nogi. "Take me on your knas & relate to me this happy Xmas tale of jingling snowballs, holly-fruit and good cheer! At what time you met this Mr. Clause & when?"

"I tell you," I peruse with footless expression peculiar to friad snakes. "It happen about 2 yrs of yore while

would show them the place in the Steam Radiator where Hon. S. Clause come through. They would explain how the place where Hon. Cutlase axidually drop a cocktail on the rug were a footprints from one (1) of Mr. Clause's rain-deers. All prepared for annual festival of spiritism."

"Oscar," say Mrs. Cutlase sweetly, "do you not think Hon. Willie are getting too old to believe in Sandy Clause?"

"Not so!" derange Hon. Oscar. "I were nearly 19 yrs. old before I stopped believing in Wm Jenny Bryan."

"& etc until over 11 o'clock when I stop peeking and go up stairs so sleepy I was in a state of coma."

Meeting Santa Face to Face. "Up in my bedroom, Cousin Nogi, I lift open my trunk & fetch out considerable Xmas presents which I intend give to friends of Japanese and European extraction. For Uncle Nishi I got a patented tooth-brush which could be turned into a fountain pen or a corn-knife by twisting it that way. For Little Annie Anazuma, who are fond of fairy stories, I got a illustrated book entitle 'Juren.' For you, Cousin Nogi, I got a original Spanish hickory humidor where you could keep the cigars you borrow from me."

"And so onwards to include one (1) pair mosquito proof stockings for Miss Susi Ohi who I go see in Summer and do not wish think of other things when I coddle next by her with moonlight in my conversation."

"Cousin Nogi," I say so, "I fetch out all those sweetish Xmas presents & laid them surround my bed. Tomorrow, I think, I shall contribute them to all friendships I know."

"Thinking thusly, I undressed my coat, pants & shirt which I carefully latched on a chair. Then I go to bed, O softly dreaming! O Mary Xmas eve! But pretty soon I dived right out of my slumber. What that? A sound of noise in my room!"

"Uplifting my tired brain I look upward, and behold! Somebody resembling Hon. Sandy Clause after he join the KKK come slooching through window. Distinctly I could see where he got his whisker tied up in a flower laid. This look very estranged to me."

"O Hon. Sandy Clause!" I gollup with glue in my words. "So joy to see you. I shall welcome you with bell!"

He Pats a shout & Gun. "Welcome me with less noise, if convenient," he narrate, and did not seem very Christian.

"But should I not dance slightly while singing Xmas carole?" I negotiate.

"See hear!" he gruh. "If you are not more silent knight in yr. behavior I shall make you dance out of the other side of yr. mouth."

"Then, Cousin Nogi, I observe something unnatural. Hon. Sandy Clause were holding an enlarged shoot-gun close to my frightened eyebrow."

"Get still!" he nudge, "and I shall have no trouble with you."

"With immediate quickness he open one hul Bag and commence drop-in all Xmas presents what stood around my bed."

"O horrors!" I holla. "Sweethearted Mr. Clause, how darest you do that? Xmas are not time for robbery."

"Where did you get that I do?" he ask to know. "Now tell me where you keep watch & other money before I make a blow-off of your head."

"While he snatch my Robt. G. Ingersoll watch & 4.89 from my sacred pants he keep on whistling a sentimental song of this There Are Smiles in every Sunstroke." At last he took everything, to include water-picher, my patented leather shoes, my Sunday school umbrella, & etc. Hon. Bag got pretty full, by golly.

The Collection Department. "Well, Mary Xmas, Togo!" he retort while lifting out of window.

"O Sandy Clause, I switch dreadfully. Do not go away before you answer me 8 or 14 questions."

"He rapid about it," he deploy. "I have several other homes to make happy before sunrise a. m."

"Answer me this, I enoll. I never met you before. But persons has told me that Sandy Clause burst into house to bring things inward. But here I discover you bringing things outward. How is?"

"In every enlarged business such as mine," he betray, "there must be two (2) Departments for satisfy both ends. One of those are the Distributing Dept."

"& what are the other Dept.?" I require nervily.

"The Collection Dept.," he chucker softly. "I am working in that Dept. to night."

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LIFE IMPRISONMENT

ATLANTA, Dec. 21.—"Guilty of murder with recommendation for

mercy," was the verdict returned against Philip E. Fox, who killed William S. Coburn, an attorney, in Atlanta, November 5. The verdict under Georgia's laws provides a life imprisonment sentence. After searching evidence for more than a week,

the jury received the case late last night. At the request of the defence the jury was polled. It was unanimous. The judge then sentenced Fox to spend the balance of his natural life in the penitentiary of Georgia.

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STUDEBAKER SIX CROSSES DESERT

First Trip by Lone Car Over Syrian Desert Is Filled With Many Thrills—Floods Increase Difficulties

CROSS THE EUPHRATES RIVER ON "SHAKTUR"

Trip Made by E. H. Cooke, of Jaffa, Palestine, and Capt. Schwabe, Jerusalem—Often Pursued Gazelles

The statement made by an automotive engineer that "wherever there is terra firma, man can go in the modern car" was effectively proved by the recent trip of a single car across the Syrian desert from Damascus to Baghdad, a distance of 440 miles.

The trip was made by Mr. E. H. Cooke, of Jaffa, Palestine, and Capt. Schwabe, Jerusalem, in a Studebaker Light-Six.

While the journey across the parched desert lands of Syria and Mesopotamia has been made before by convoys of motor cars, this was the first car ever to make the trip single-handed. With convoys the dangers besetting the trip have been lessened by the assistance one car can give to the other in case of mishap. According to The Baghdad Times, there was a previous attempt to cross the Syrian desert in a lone car. This trip was fatal, however, for the car caught fire in the middle of the desert, burning completely and leaving the four occupants to perish in the middle of the desert through the ravages of thirst and hunger.

Interesting Log of Trip

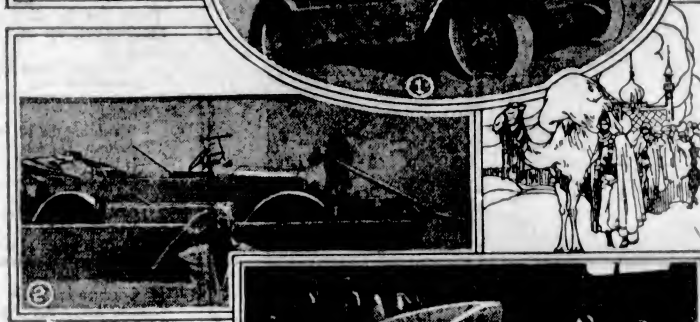
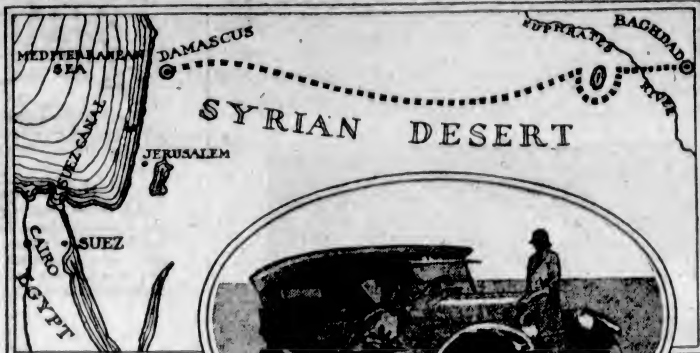
In view of the perilous route of the trip and the numerous obstacles it was necessary to overcome in spanning the vast uninhabited area reaching from Damascus to Baghdad, the log written by Mr. Cooke is particularly interesting. It reads: "Capt. Schwabe and I decided to attempt the trans-desert tour in a Studebaker Light-Six single-handed. We hired a typical Arab guide in Damascus and started on our way. As there is nothing inhabited by man between Damascus and Ramadi on the Ramadi on the Euphrates River, some 150 miles away, we had to carry all that we might need, both for the car and ourselves for this distance.

"We therefore loaded up 50 gallons of petrol, 12 gallons of water and 4 of oil, as well as sufficient food for six full days. The fluids were in cases, two 4-gallon tins to the case, which we screwed to the dunnage boards on both sides. A 6-gallon tank of drinking water acted as a foot rest in the tonneau.

Off Before Sunrise

"Just before sunrise on the morning of July 19, we rumbled out from

Auto Crosses Syrian Desert Single-Handed



Damascus, along the old covered bazaar of the 'Street called Straight' and ran along the Hama Road as far as Adra, near which place were grazing 15,000 camels belonging to the Rutula Arabs.

"From Adra we struck across the open desert, making for the southern slopes of Jebel Abou el Kos, where we had to run through ground thickly covered with bush and boulders. Fortunately, the going became good as we left the mountains, and we were soon roasting over hard gravel at well over 40 miles an hour.

"Often we were compelled to jam on the brakes when a shallow drainage line (Wadi) lay in sight. Sometimes running for five or six miles without the slightest check the course would suddenly run into sturdy scrub, often 1 foot in height, which swished against the axles and sump, polishing these parts as though with a burnisher.

"Shortly we reached Tent, and struck out for the Rutba well, the only source of water supply on the whole route.

"We passed through great herds of gazelle, leaping in the air, dashing across our tracks and showing us their turn of speed. Several

times we pursued them, roaring over the desert at 50 to 55 miles an hour, gaining rapidly on the little animals, then losing ground as they swerved off to right or left, or led us into a bit of bad going.

"We spent the first night on the bank of a Wadi, and pursued our course before daybreak in the direction of Rutba. Leaving Rutba, we picked up a furrow made by the Royal Air Force to give the Cairo-

Baghdad planes their course over the desert.

Floods Increase Difficulties

"We experienced considerable difficulty outside of Ramadi because of the floods. On arriving at this point at sunset, we saw the town surrounded by a sheet of water. We ran along an embankment built to carry traffic. It looked fairly strong, but we soon found that its appearance was deceiving. At one place the bank began to slide in all directions, and we were soon left with our back to a well under the water. But we were soon out of the mire, and after spending the night in Ramadi, we continued on our course.

"At Faluja, the pontoon bridge across the Euphrates River had been washed away by the flood. We decided to use one of the pontoons as a boat. This 'shakur', as the Arabs call it, was a very flimsy affair. The difficulty of loading our car on the shakur was not a little increased by the shouting of the Arabs and their spasmodic attempts to keep the car back or push it forward.

"As soon as we got in the middle of the stream, the current gripped the old shakur and whirled it downstream a good ten yards for every yard the boatmen could push it across.

"As we neared the opposite bank, the boatmen were unable to cope with the current despite their furious efforts to back water and their continuous shouting in 'Allah' for assistance. We hit the bank with a terrific crash. Luckily, the blow only warped the shakur.

"On the third day, we arrived in Baghdad in time for lunch, having covered 440 miles in 2 1/2 days. We were pleased to find that we had only used 32 gallons of petrol and three-quarters of a gallon of oil. The car was none the worse for its hard trip."

Mr. Cooke goes on to say that unusual interest was manifested in their trip by the people of Baghdad. As a result of their successful trip, the first to be made by a single car, it was predicted that a regular motor transport route would shortly be established between Damascus and Baghdad.

To establish further proof of the practicability of the trip, Mr. Cooke and Capt. Schwabe turned their car about and retraced their course to Damascus. Their return trip was made in two days' time, or one-half day less than was required by their journey from Damascus to Baghdad.

Mr. Ben Grossman, sales manager of Jameson Motors, Ltd., local Studebaker distributors, during the Great War was all through Palestine and knows the country over which Mr. Cooke and Captain Schwabe traveled. Mr. Grossman stated that from Jaffa to Jerusalem the highways were practically impassable owing to the mountainous nature of the country. Mr. Grossman has motored all through Palestine and has made the trip from Cairo to within a few miles of Jerusalem many times.

Horsepower Rating

H. R. C. asks: Will you please give me the formula used by motor vehicle commissioners to determine the horsepower of engines? Answer: The formula generally used is as follows: Multiply together the cylinder bore, expressed in inches, squared, and the number of cylinders, and divide the product by 2.5. For example, assume a four-cylinder engine with a bore of 3 1/4 inches (3.375) inches. The square of 3.375 is 11.39, which, multiplied by four, gives 45.56. Dividing this product by 2.5 gives 18.22 as the nominal horsepower of such an engine.



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EDDIE HEARNE HEADS LIST OF SPEED KINGS

Veteran Race Driver Announces 1782
Points in Trials During Year—
Jimmy Murphy Makes Second

Eddie Hearne, veteran race driver, who has piloted cars on many tracks for years, won first place on the American Automobile Association list of 1923 with a total of 1782 points. He finished third in the list of champions for 1923, took first place in the Los Angeles classic, covering the 250 miles in 2 hours, 13 minutes and 25 seconds. Jimmy Murphy, second to Hearne on championship points, took second place in the Los Angeles, finishing three minutes behind Hill.

Both Hill and Hearne drove a non-stop race. Murphy suffered hard luck with his tires and was forced to enter the pits three times for changes. But for these stops, it is believed, he would have taken first place. If he had crossed the line ahead of all other drivers, he could not have displaced Hearne as 1923 champion, however.

Hearne has taken first place in but one of the races staged at Beverly Bowl since 1920. Jimmy Murphy has won three of these classics, with Rossie Surles and Tommy Milton each winning one.

The final score for the A.A.A. championship of 1923 gave Hearne, 1782; Murphy, 1470; Hill, 969; Harts, 820; Milton, 810; and Pengler, 750. Elliott, De Palma, Comer, Shafter, Durant, Morton, Boyer and Duray finished in the order named.

Harry Harts and Harlan Pengler are among the youngest racing drivers now piloting cars on American tracks. Both hold the distinction of winning their first starts.

Pengler formerly acted as mechanic for Harts, and when the single-seater racing cars were crowded out, he decided to pilot a machine himself and won his first.

Since that time he has figured prominently in all the more important events.

MOTOR NOTES

A McLaughlin-Buick stock Master-Six 24-45 made a remarkable performance over what is called the Blue Circle Canadian Rockies, a trip of 571 miles, mostly through very mountainous country, with the roads covered with snow.

The principal aim in making the trip was to demonstrate the value of four-wheel brakes under the severe conditions of fast driving over mountain roads. The trip was started at midnight on a Friday from the Calgary Automobile Club, Calgary. A schedule had been worked out which would bring the car back to the starting point at 7:15 p.m. Saturday, or 19 hours and 15 minutes elapsed time. The car used was one which had been driven for business purposes by Mr. W. Wood, manager of the local McLaughlin-Buick branch. The trip included High River, Staveley, Coleman, Windermere, Pincher Creek, Fort Saskatchewan, Banff, Anthracite and Morley.

The elapsed time of the trip was 19 hours and 22 minutes, the best previous time made being 29 hours and 28 minutes by one car and 21 hours and 40 minutes by another. The actual driving time was 16 hours and 12 minutes, or an average of 35 miles an hour.

This record is the more remarkable when it is remembered that 300 miles of the 571 were over snow-covered roads or through snowstorms, and that the greater part of the distance was through the mountains. Not once during the entire trip was the emergency brake used. At no time did the application of the brakes sweep the car in the slightest degree, even on slippery roads. The car was inspected by several mechanics on the return to Calgary Automobile Club and was pronounced in first-class condition.

Local Ford dealers received their first shipment of 1924 models yesterday. The new cars will be on display at the National Motor Co., Ltd., and the Revercomb Motors, Ltd., this week.

Victoria automobile accessory dealers have put in some excellent Christmas window displays during the past week.

The Vancouver Automobile Club is making arrangements, in connection with the Automobile Club of Washington and the Vancouver Publicity Bureau, to establish a tourist information office at Blaine so that tourists visiting the Province can procure all possible information, maps, etc., to guide them on the way.

Increased accommodation at the Custom House at Blaine is another important matter the local automobile club is at present dealing with, and from information at present received there is little doubt that the club's recommendations will be carried out.

It is rumored in motor circles that Mr. Tom Lumden, of the Western Tire Station, is to be appointed Vancouver Island distributor for the famous K. & S. Tires.

Mr. George Lillie, of the Automotive Equipment House, reports the accessory business quite brisk. This has been the busiest Christmas Mr. Lillie has had since being in the automobile accessory business.

The National Motor Co., Ltd., have put in an excellent Christmas window display, featuring the 1924 Ford Tudor Sedan. The setting is splendidly arranged, and everything is there that gives the Christmas effect. A large radio set is in operation, giving orchestra selections from Seattle, Portland, San Francisco and Los Angeles.

Mr. W. Worsley, of the Victoria Automobile Club, reports that 1924 motor licenses are now ready for distribution by the Provincial Licensing Department. By arrangements with the department, Mr. Worsley is able to obtain licenses for local motorists, saving them the usual long wait and trouble involved in making personal application. Mr. Worsley has an office at 213 Central Building.

A new kind of road surface is being experimented with in Manchester, England. Concrete blocks, 6 inches square and 2 inches high, with a top plate of cast iron a quarter of an inch in width, are being laid. The inventor claims that they are the most durable yet tried for road covering.

TIRE MANUFACTURERS AGREE ON WHEEL SIZE

Balloon Tire Equipment to Be Standard, Says Mr. Fred Pauline, of Morley-Pauline Rubber Co.

Large tire manufacturers of the country have adopted a definite program with reference to wheel equipment and tire sizes for balloon tires, according to Mr. Fred Pauline, of the Morley-Pauline Rubber Co. local tire dealer.

According to Mr. Pauline, tire cross sections for light cars, ranging from 4.40 inches to 7.50 inches have been formally decided upon. He also announces that further sale in 20-inch tires in the 4.40-inch and 5.25-inch large cross sections has been dropped, except where such sales are necessary for wheels of that diameter already manufactured.

The 29x4 1/2-inch rim will be used for the 6.20-inch tire and the 30x5 rim for the 7.50-inch tire will continue as standard sizes, he announced. Many cars now carry balloon tires, either as optional or standard equipment, and with the unanimous decision of manufacturers of tires to adhere to standard sizes it is predicted by Mr. Pauline that the new equipment will steadily increase in demand.

EUROPE DEMANDS SMALL CYLINDERS SAYS ENGINEER

The coming European market for automobiles of a light six-cylinder car of small bore selling at about 250 pounds sterling, according to H. K. Jack, chief engineer of the Olds Motor Works, Lansing, Mich., who has just returned from a two months' tour of the continent as a member of a party of General Motors engineers. This type car, he said, will meet the demands of the middle class, which at present is despairing of every owning an automobile having more than four cylinders.

European countries tax automobiles according to horse power, computed on the basis of size of cylinder bore," said Mr. Jack. "For that reason a large bore and an over-engineered car carries a tax which is practically prohibitive to the greater number of potential automobile owners."

FURNISHES POWER FOR LOCOMOTIVE OR BOAT

Common Practice to Put Steel Wheels on Ford Cars and Use Them as Rail Locomotives

The universality of the Standard Ford Model T engine, which has been used in more than 8,500,000 Ford Cars, is being evidenced every day, as can be seen by the following adaptation:

A very flexible type of line and work car has been constructed by the Windsor, Essex and Lake Shore Railway at Kingsville, Ontario. This machine has been in use for several months and has been found especially advantageous to all purposes. A standard Ford truck chassis was used as a basis, the pneumatic tires and wheels being removed and wooden wheels with steel tires being substituted.

It is a common practice for railway division inspectors to put steel wheels on Ford cars and use them as rail locomotives, while at Kamloops, B. C., a Ford car is used by the Forestry Branch for fire fighting purposes. It carries a portable fire pump, hose, etc.

Over in Manchuria, China, a stern wheeler boat has been constructed which with freight and passengers weighing 7,000 lbs., is propelled by a Ford motor along the Yalu River.

In London, Ontario, a roller for lawn bowling greens has as its motive power a Ford engine.

ORDERS BEING PLACED FOR SPRING DELIVERY

Owing to Big Demand for Paige and Jewett Models, It Is Impossible to Make Immediate Deliveries

Experienced motor car buyers are showing a tendency toward placing orders early for spring delivery, according to Eve Bros., local Paige-Jewett distributors.

Paige and Jewett cars have been in such demand during the past few years," says Eve Brothers, "that we have found it impossible to fill orders for some models for as long as six weeks. We have a clientele that buys motor cars from us regularly. These purchasers have told us they believe we will produce a good motor car; if not better, next Spring and therefore wish to enter their orders for a certain Paige or Jewett model to be delivered on a certain date after Winter breaks up."

"This situation is doubtless true of a number of other dealers besides those handling our product. It indicates that automobile owners are becoming wiser motor car buyers every year. During the past, much of their education has been along automobile engineering lines.

"Today we find the majority of owners well acquainted with the car they drive. It is safe to say that after a few delivery disappointments, more will enter an experienced motor car buyers' class and order during the Winter months for Spring delivery.

EFFICIENCY DECREASES AS SPEED INCREASES

Consumption of Fuel Sometimes Quadrupled Before Rate of Travel Is Doubled—Fast Waste of Gas

With the speed at which present-day motorists drive, continually increasing, the waste of gasoline is also increasing by leaps and bounds, according to automotive engineers.

Experiments and tests by experts have shown that a car, when driven at thirty miles an hour, requires but 4.5 horse power. The same car, however, when driven at fifty miles an hour requires approximately 22 horse power, or nearly four times the power for less than twice the speed.

Cars of the present day ride as comfortably at forty miles an hour as many of their predecessors did at twenty, while the wind resistance of



What Oldsmobile brought to General Motors

TO drive an automobile from coast to coast—it seemed incredible in 1905.

On May eighth of that year, two curved dash, one-cylinder Oldsmobiles set out from New York to Portland where a national good roads convention was to be held.

Only a few had faith in the audacious venture. For forty-four days the nation watched, reading the papers with eager interest. Each fresh bulletin reported the cars a little further west. On the forty-fourth day "Old Scout," the first car, arrived in triumph, just one hour and twenty minutes before the opening of the convention. "Old Steady" arrived seven days later.

Transcontinental runs have long since become commonplace; but that first historical journey started the nation on a new conception of what the motor car was destined to be and to do.

Twenty-six years ago the first automobile factory in Michigan was erected; it was for the manufacture of Oldsmobiles.

The first two-cylinder car was an Oldsmobile.

The first cars to be exported in quantity were Oldsmobiles, carrying the reputation of Oldsmobile craftsmanship to the far corners of the world.

In 1919 General Motors built a Canadian factory at Oshawa, Ontario, for the manufacture of Oldsmobile Motor Cars and Trucks, and now Canadian craftsmen carry out in Canada the Oldsmobile ideals of quality and service. Thus, General Motors, adding its abundant resources of men, money and engineering talent, has enabled Canadian motorists to profit by the achievements of the past.

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the two styles remains virtually the same. Improvements in motors of recent date have cut down gas consumption to a great degree, but most motorists wonder why their mileage has not increased in proportion to ease of riding, tire mileage and other factors.

Motorists must remember, authorities declare, that with increased speed, the consumption of gasoline does not increase proportionately, but in some cases quadruples when the speed has not yet been doubled.

FOUR-WHEEL BRAKES GIVEN SEVERE TEST

Thirteen Car Manufacturers, After Exhaustive Tests, Have Adopted Lockheed Hydraulic Brakes

Manufacturers of thirteen different motor cars have to date adopted Lockheed hydraulic four-wheel brakes as equipment for their cars. D. O. Scott, general manager of the Hydraulic Brake Company, of Detroit, stated recently. The majority of these manufacturers will probably announce the brakes as part of their cars between now and the opening of the New York automobile show, which starts January 5, Mr. Scott believes.

The brakes are of the same type as those used by the Chalmers Motor Car Company, which announced them several weeks ago.

Among the thirteen manufacturers are those producing four, six and eight-cylinder cars in virtually every price and quality field, it was said. "Every manufacturer who has given Lockheed hydraulic brakes the complete tests that we recommend them will, in 1924, have a combined estimated output of considerably more than 250,000 cars."

"It is reasonable to assume from the representative list of motor car makers who have already adopted hydraulic brakes that it is merely a matter of a short time before their use will be very general," Mr. Scott declared.

The power of a car is cut down considerably by too heavy an oil in the engine and too heavy a grease in the gear case. Lubricants that are too thick will not flow at all in cold weather and the gears and bearings will run dry.

The eighth annual Pacific automobile show, under the auspices of the San Francisco Motor Car Dealers Association, will be held in the Exposition Auditorium, February 15 to 25, inclusive.

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Scientific and Industrial Development

Industrial Research. That science should come to the aid of industry is easy to state as an axiom but difficult to transform into a useful practice. Those responsible for the administration of the "million fund" allotted by the British Government for scientific and industrial research designed a scheme of some novelty and interest by which it was hoped that initial state aid would encourage industries to make a permanent use of scientific research. It was not until the last year of the war that it was possible to bring the scheme into operation, and since then a short-lived period of extreme optimism and the wave of depression which still persists have provided abnormal conditions. None the less there has been time to reach certain general conclusions not on the whole favorable to the scheme, and these are set out with praiseworthy impartiality in the Privy Council Committee's Report for the year 1922-23, published recently.

The Million Fund was voted by Parliament in 1917-18 for the purpose of making grants "over an agreed period to approved trade associations for research to supplement the funds of the associations." This agreed period was fixed at five years, and negotiations took place with each industry desirous of availing itself of the scheme. A minimum income to be derived from subscriptions was fixed, with consideration of the nature of the researches, the laboratory equipment, and the staff required; this minimum was to be met on a £ for £ scale by a state grant from the million fund. Even up to a higher agreed limit the same scale of state assistance was to be given, but beyond that further assistance was to be given only so far as funds were available and on a progressively diminishing scale. In actual fact only seven out of the twenty-two associations that were formed have exceeded the second limit, and the majority have done little more than reach the qualifying minimum. This result is admitted to be disappointing, for it was hoped that the associations would have become completely self-supporting before the end of the appointed period.

Apart from the economic conditions in the period, there were other difficulties. A scheme of co-operative research between firms is an industry was a novel idea, inharmonious with the traditions of rivalry and individual action under which British industries have developed in the past. Even the attraction of securing by state aid secret or patentable processes which would remain the property of the association was an insufficient inducement. The method, moreover, by which subscriptions were paid through trade associations and not directly by individual firms, accelerated the initial information of the research associations but damped down the interest of individuals in them. There was the further and doubtless inevitable difficulty of securing directors with adequate scientific attainments and with such knowledge of trade circumstances as to win the confidence of "practical" men.

Although few, if any, of the research associations have established themselves on an adequate and independent basis, the Advisory Council does not attribute this either to "incurable apathy on the part of the industries or to incapacity on the part of the associations or their officers." Although, therefore, they do not feel justified in extending the original contract beyond the first quinquennium, they are ready in individual cases to offer help for another period of four years. If an association applies for such an extension, an inquiry will be made into its operations. Independent technical experts conversant with the processes and the scientific needs of the industry will scrutinize the scientific achievement; officers of the Board of Trade will estimate the economic position of the industry, and the department itself will deal with the administration of the association as a whole. This formidable scrutiny is intended to ascertain what should be the permanent income as an association if it is to conduct useful research; if there seems some prospect of this being secured by the admission of a substantial proportion of the interested firms, then further state help is to be given in the hope of bringing the prospect into reality. And so the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research is arranging a tranquil death-bed for its elaborate scheme.

Fortunately other activities are more promising. The National Physical Laboratory and the Geological Survey, now transferred to its control, continue their excellent work with undiminished vigour. The Fuel Research Board, the Food Investigation Board, and other creations of the department are justifying their existence. Excellent work is being accomplished in the co-ordination of investigations conducted by different Government departments and independent agencies. Most useful of all is the expenditure approximately £60,000 per annum in the form of grants to individual research workers and students in training. Perhaps in time the department and its advisory council may come to see that the apparently least direct way of helping industry by science is the quickest; stimulate actual research at existing institutions and provide an ample supply of trained researchers and leave it to the more enterprising and intelligent of the industries to take advantage of the opportunities provided.—London Times.

Copper Shipments High

The month of November established a new high record in the copper industry so far as shipments of the red metal for both domestic and foreign account are concerned, according to figures made public in trade circles. Total shipments for the month aggregated 224,000,000 pounds, and compares with a previous record of 248,000,000 pounds, established last March. November is the fourth consecutive month in which shipments were more than 200,000,000 pounds.

In the trade's view, the unfortunate part of these large shipments has been that they came at a time when the metal is selling only a little above the low record for the current year, and consequently only the lowest cost producers are making a fair profit on the business now being handled. Shipments for foreign account last month are estimated at 84,000,000 pounds, which is just short of a peace-time record. The total compare with average monthly shipments of 63,000,000 pounds in the first six months of the year, and the increase is ascribed to improvement in the situation abroad, despite conditions prevailing in the Ruhr.—Montreal Gazette.

Railway Electrification in France

Although, as a result of recent legislation, active steps are being taken towards a better standardization of electric supply voltages and periodicities in this country, there is little evidence of any activity of the same kind in the matter of railway electrification. A standard system was certainly recommended by an influential committee, but there is little evidence that anyone has taken very much notice of it. A very different state of affairs would appear to exist in France, where a commission decided in 1920 on a standard system which was to be accepted by all the French railway companies. The standard specifies a three-phase, 50-period, primary current for distribution and 1,500 volt direct-current traction, with either an overhead conductor or third rail. In exceptional cases, 3,000-volt direct-current may be used with an overhead conductor. At the time this standard was introduced the Midi Railway Company had a large amount of single-phase railway in operation, or in course of equipment, notably the 78-mile line between Agen and Montrejeu with 63 miles of branch lines. On the introduction of the direct-current standard system all this single-phase work was abandoned and an immediate commencement was made towards a conversion to the new standard. Much of the work has now been done, and the first 1,500-volt direct-current locomotive appeared on the Pau-Tarbes division at the end of 1922.

The total electrification work which is projected by the Midi Railway is to be carried out during the next ten years amounts to nearly 2,000 miles. This ambitious programme, which is energetically being pushed on, will give the company one of the greatest, if not the greatest, electrified system in the world. The lines of the Midi Railway traverse the southern part of France from the Atlantic Ocean to the Mediterranean. They connect Biarritz and Perpignan and serve most of the valleys on the north side of the Pyrenees. The lines also run north of Besiers, across to Cevennes district, which is wild and mountainous. The major part of the whole area served by the company is of a very hilly character, and as a result, very steep gradients are not uncommon, these being quite a number of over 1 in 33. These conditions make the lines difficult and expensive to work with steam locomotives, and in view of the fact that ample water power is available in the area, it is a matter of no surprise that the question of electrification has long been under consideration.—Engineering.

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For example, it pours all its aluminum, cast iron and bronze, it makes all putters and gears in casting the dozens of different parts from these materials. And its own laboratory experts check over the materials used every day to make doubly sure that just the right quantities are joined into each part to result in giving the longest service. No guess work is allowed to creep in at any stage of the Packard process. And no detail of manufacturing is too small to receive prompt and thorough attention from the company's manufacturing department.

Packard metallurgists, in their exhaustive tests with iron, for instance, have found that certain portions of various chemicals mixed together and properly poured and heat-treated will give the longest life to the cylinder block. They have found that the best material for this purpose can be obtained only by using a combination of iron, found in several sections of the county. And they know exactly what quantity of each should be fused together to insure the proper hardness and the longest life to the finished product.

You will find that it is a simple matter to remove a tire from a rim that has been shellacked. Clean your tire rim and palm them with shellac the next time you remove a tire and then allow it to thoroughly dry before you attempt to put the tire on again. You will be surprised to see how easily the tire comes off. Graphite is also recommended for this purpose—just paint the rim with a thin film.

California leads all other states in the number of cars per population. This state has a car for every 3.8 persons. Iowa ranks second, with 4.8 persons per car, and Nebraska and South Dakota tie for third, with 5.1 persons per car. The average in the whole country is 5.4 persons per car.

There are 33,000 passenger car dealers in the United States, and 35,000 who sell motor trucks. Service stations and repair shops number 43,000, and public garages 48,000.

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This latest model is 3 feet long by 30 inches wide. The base is of wood. The surface has the appearance of a street intersection, with trolley tracks and sidewalks, but for illustration of an accident which occurred on a street without trolley lines a metal covering fits over the tracks. Movable sidewalks, curbing, trolley poles and wires, trees, fire hydrants, electric light poles, with vehicles and pedestrians all in miniature, can be placed so as to indicate conditions as they were at the time of the accident.

Following the accident, the police officials are instructed to secure the measurements in order to correctly show to the judge and jury the relative positions of the principles involved. The model is also used to illustrate the testimony of witnesses. It has been found that this model greatly facilitates the presentation of facts and saves the cost of having special drawings made to bring out the same points.

Adverse foreign exchange rates have little effect on the market for American cars in Poland, for there is no domestic manufacture of motor vehicles in that country, according to S. J. Dalferes, American vice-consul at Warsaw. The Polish purchaser of a motor car or motor truck must figure his cost from foreign currency.

When turning a corner it is a wise precaution to make a practice of throwing out the clutch.

Don't allow your car to be washed by inexperienced or unscrupulous washers, who use coal oil, gasoline or lye soaps in the operation.

On a dry pavement, if a sudden and unusual stop must be made, throw out clutch, apply foot brake with full force, and assist with hand brake. The driver should never get excited and lose his head.

A car should never be overloaded, as the excess weight is apt to put too much strain on the tires. The spraying of water between the brake lining surface will temporarily stop squeaking at this point.

The distributor points should be cleaned frequently when the car is equipped with the battery ignition. Good judgment, caution and alertness are the three important points of good driving.

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Finally it pulled up at Crawley, and I stopped to ask the driver what it was. To my amusement it turned out to be your own big "Paige." The driver told me that mine was the only car he had seen on the road that he couldn't get away from.

Use this letter if you wish, as I am always anxious to recommend a good thing when I find it. I gave a gentleman I met in Baker Street a trial run around the Park in my Jewett. He was so pleased with it that he bought one. I saw him out in it a few weeks after.

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Half Century Ago Cutting Christmas Trees Wasn't Crime

Spring Ridge Was Good Place to Get Evergreens in Early Days—Property Owners Appreciated Assistance With Land Clearing—Sucking Pig Held High Place as Table Delicacy

CITIZENS HAD TO GET MAIL AT POSTOFFICE

FIFTY years ago Christmas trees were cut in the Spring Ridge district and even nearer to the present centre of the city. Christmas trees had to be called for at the post office on Government Street, and the trees were cut in the district of the city.

Christmas Eve, bear meat and sucking pigs were among the table delicacies of the holiday season; butchers gave away free turkeys to their principal customers; many raffles took place, and shoots, with turkeys and geese as prizes, were held at the outlying saloons.

Away back in 1873 it seems that people didn't mind having Christmas trees removed from their property. No late owners drove treasurers off. The cutting of the tree was a blessing because it aided in clearing the land. Spring Ridge was the happy hunting ground for those in search of evergreens, but they could be obtained closer in than that.

Old-timers recall the Christmas trees when snow lay upon the ground and sleighs that ranged from the showy cutter to the parking box on wheels were everywhere, bells jingling in the frosty air. The boys used to toboggan down such steep slopes as Marjorie Hill and Church Hill and the street lighting in those days was by gas, the sidewalks of wood and road surface just dirt.

Christmas letters and parcels were not delivered to the houses in those days, the residents having to go down to the old post office on Government Street. The old country mails came by way of San Francisco, and the arrival of Christmas greetings and gifts could not be estimated with anything like the accuracy of today. It was wise to send away parcels to the United Kingdom several months in advance.

Meat Shops in Glory
The range of presents which could be purchased in those days was not like that of today, of course, but the stores got themselves up gaily for the Christmas holiday. Each had a wooden swing in front, and to the posts of these were fastened evergreens. The butcher shops particularly covered themselves with glory, turkeys, geese, chickens, ducks, sucking pigs, etc., being shown in an attractive setting. The butcher shop displays drew many to admire them. An advertisement in The Daily Colonist at Christmas time a half century ago named the various meats available, adding, "All of which have been carefully selected and will be sold at the lowest remunerative rates."

At the country saloons shoots were held for turkeys and geese. "Often I've paid out fifty cents a try in an effort to win a bird this would retail for \$2.50," one old-timer says. The old files of The Colonist show that at Christmas, 1873, Stafford & Goodacre, "at their shop, corner of Johnson and Government Streets, will make the finest display of beef, mutton, veal, sucking pigs, bear's meat, etc., ever seen in this city and rivaling in excellence and arrangement the best London shops."

"The exhibition will be well worth seeing, and no Christmas table will be well furnished without it. It is a roasting-piece from Stafford & Goodacre's," assures the advertisement.

Tom Harris, Victoria's first mayor, had a butcher shop on the eastern side of Government Street, just north of Fort Street, while Robert Porter had a small shop at the northwest corner of Johnson and Douglas Streets.

Raffles Popular
Raffles were the rage of Yuletide. One finds that the great annual raffle took place at the Merchants' Exchange on Christmas Eve of 1873. Advance notices of that event announced that 116 chances on a value-

able gold lever hunting watch and "a silver ditto" could be obtained for the lucky draw. The prizes, hams, wines and spirits would also be disposed of through the decisions of the Goddess Luck.

The firm of T. N. Hibben & Company was situated at that time on Government Street, across from its present location, and is said to have been as high as twenty-five dollars. "Handsome church services and prayer books," it advertised, "and a few good, useful oleographic pictures in appropriate frames such as would adorn any respectable room."

Tom Gorrie had his store of toys and fancy goods on Fort Street, just south of where Blanshard Street is; Brown & White, Wilson's, and Denny & Spencer were among the firms selling dry goods; Jungertman & Hedder could supply the holiday need for jewelry; Janion, Rhodes & Company offered claret and bulk and bottled beer; Hains & Pitts would furnish get rid of Christmas dried fruits and nuts; Eastern and Californian Blase, grocer and provisioner; G. The Japanese Bazaar, sold toys, California wines, etc., modestly advertising in their advertisements that they hoped "by strict attention to business to merit a share of public patronage"; and Findlay, Durham & Brodie advertised such famous names as Hennessy and Martell.

Saloons and gambling joints were running night and day. Within view of all who cared to see, miners and others "played big" and lost much.

Those Wicked Days
Down at "Frank Campbell's Corner," on the southwest corner of Yates and Government Streets, people used to gather to talk and to read the news bulletins Frank posted. The spot was known locally as the Capital of British Columbia. "Meet you at the corner," meant only one thing. There was only one corner talked about that way. Campbell ran a saloon there, and there, and beside him was the old Adelphi saloon, where the Tom-and-Jerry were consumed in large numbers. The Boomerang was situated in an alley on Yates Street, below Government, the Garrick's Head opened its doors upon Hastings Street, below Government, the Grotto, spoke upon Trounce Alley, while the California Saloon was a notorious place place on Johnson Street. The Savoy, Delmonico, Tilly and Club Theatre were gay spots in later times, but they couldn't get past a Police Commission in these respectable days.

The midnight mass at St. Andrew's Cathedral, on Humboldt Street, was the Christmas Eve feature of half a century ago. Citizens who attended the Theatre Royal, on the site now occupied by T. N. Hibben & Co., near the corner of Government and Hastings Streets, on the night before Christmas would complete their evening by going to mass. Members of all denominations were wont to attending in the cathedral, then located on Humboldt Street, where St. Joseph's Hospital now stands, was often far too small to accommodate the crowd.

In The British Colonist is the following account of the service at St. Andrew's on Christmas fifty years ago: "A solemn mass was said and sung at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Humboldt Street, by the Right Reverend Bishop Segner, on Christmas Eve. A Banquet, too, "A full choir was in attendance, and the organ (which was formerly used at Christ Church Cathedral) was played by Mr. D. Palmer, organist of the Cathedral, in a most masterly manner. The church was crowded to excess, hundreds being unable to obtain admission. In the morning the same mass was repeated at 10:30 o'clock. After mass, the choir adjourned to the Bishop's house and were invited to a sumptuous dinner, at which Mr. C. Lombard made a suitable speech, to which the Bishop responded, congratulating the choir on its proficiency and presenting Mr. D. Palmer with an acknowledgment of his services for the past eleven years. We cannot finish our remarks without noticing the beautiful singing of Mrs. Parsons, Mrs. Garschke and the young choir, the choir, also Messrs. Lombard, Lucas, Mayeau, Behl, etc. The decorations, which were very pretty, were put up by Misses Kelly and Tynon.

"Our churches were gaily decorated on Christmas Day with evergreens and red berries, reminding one most agreeably of the time-honored custom of the Old Country," states another item. "True it is we missed the holly and the mistletoe so entwined with our early recollections; nevertheless, this country's flowers made a very acceptable substitute. For effect and taste displayed we must give the palm to St. John's Church, which, with its floral arches and other decorations, presented a very pleasing appearance. It is very gratifying in this utilitarian age to find the old-fashioned customs still kept up."

It is set forth in the same issue that "Fred Reynolds sent a fine piece of roasted beef, a quarter of mutton, a keg of ale, and fruit for pudding; and Henry Saunders four dozen of port to the inmates of the Royal Hospital."

With "things wide open" in those days, the query naturally follows as to whether there was much of drunken feckery about the streets at Christmas.

A Quiet Day
"Christmas Day passed off quietly," says The British Colonist of fifty years ago. "There were no drunken persons seen on the street; and all Victoria gathered round well-filled tables and proceeded to discuss the traditional turkey and plum pudding."

"A number of charitably disposed

This Was Fort Street Fifty Years Ago



The Photograph Was Taken From the Corner of Fort and Government Streets, Looking East. The Old Brown Jug Corner Is Seen on the Extreme Right.

gentlemen took advantage of yesterday being Boxing Day to improve a capital plan for raising money for the benefit of the Protestant Orphan Asylum," informs the paper. "Disguising themselves with masks and fantastic clothes, they procured a small cart, and harnessing thereto a donkey, proceeded to collect subscriptions from passers along the street. In the cart one of the party rode and turned the crank of an organ, grating out notes even more discordant and dolorous than those emitted by the other organ—the Standard. (This is in reference to the other local "contemporary.") The side of the wagon was embellished with clever drawings descriptive of orphan children, and the donkey wore a blanket on which was inscribed, "Charity covereth a multitude of sins." The get-up caused many a hearty laugh, and the "quarters" and "halves" rattled into the boxes right merrily."

It is to be noted with regret in that same issue that "complaint has been made against bad boys for stoning the wife and children of a respectable citizen."

DISSENT FROM VIEW HELD BY GEN. SMUTS

Cape Times Claims Final Decision as to Imperial Preference Rests With Commons

CAPE TOWN, Dec. 22.—Premier Smuts' views as to the Imperial Conference on the British Government to carry out the promises of Imperial preference made by Premier Baldwin at the recent Imperial Conference in London, as declared by the South African Premier in a speech a few days ago, are not shared in by any influential and responsible section of South African opinion, according to The Cape Times.

The Times declares that Premier Smuts' opinion is based upon the position of the conference with regard to promises by the British Government of the day, and the possible detrimental effect of such promises not being fulfilled, which view, The Times says, seems to be a correct one, and it urges that Premier Baldwin's proposals should be submitted to the House of Commons by the next British Government as having been made by its predecessors to the Imperial Conference. The decision in the matter, The Times says, should rest with the members of the House as individuals, irrespective of party ties. "The important thing," The Times says, "is that the precedent which is set should not be dictated by any parochial or party feeling, but by a wise determination to take the course best calculated to further the present and future welfare of the British Commonwealth."

One Thousand Workers Without Money or Work

QUEBEC, Dec. 22.—One thousand lumberjacks are without employment and have not received their wages for several weeks as a result of financial difficulties of the Hay Sulphite Company, which culminated this week in a petition in bankruptcy being filed and a temporary guardian being appointed by the Quebec registrar. Reports available here are to the effect that the lumberjacks are in a serious predicament and are pouring into the little town of Chandler.

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PUPILS IN RECITAL

MUSIC AND DRAMA AT POPULAR SCHOOL

Dean of Columbia Presides Over Programme of Entertainment, Which Discloses Rare Talent

The twelfth anniversary of the Popular School was celebrated on Thursday afternoon in the presence of a crowded and most appreciative audience, the rooms being filled to overflowing.

The Dean of Columbia presided as usual, and opened the proceedings by reading the report, which showed most satisfactory reports of the recent examinations. The presentation of the "Noblesse Oblige" badge to Jane Wilson for "straightforward conduct and strict obedience to school discipline led to a few most interesting remarks from the Dean on the inestimable value of obedience and service.

This concluded, the programme of entertainment was started, and as though anxious to do honor to this special occasion, the girls really excelled themselves. The opening group of songs was rendered delightfully, the different numbers being well contrasted in tone and expression.

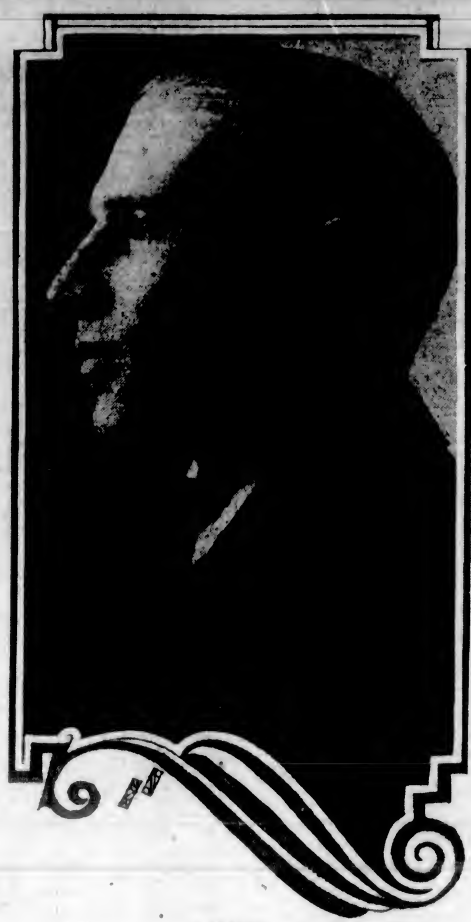
Of the pianoforte selections, Miss Marjorie Judd's two solos were naturally the outstanding feature, both

very brilliantly rendered, but in every case, from the little beginners to the most advanced, the playing was rhythmic and artistic.

Miss Phyllis Barton, who has passed the whole of her school life at the Popular, and is now promoted to the position of assistant junior and primary form mistress, made a great effect with her French and English recitations, the former a truly masterly piece of declamation. Victor Hugo's long dramatic speech is by no means easy for a French student, the good accent and almost perfect pronunciation being all the more remarkable in an English girl. Her "Sherwood" also was charmingly delivered, the clear, pure articulation and rhythmic delivery aiding her conception of the dramatic note underlying the poem.

The French play, arranged by Miss Archbutt from "Les Maîtres de Sophie," was delightful and noticeable for its naturalness and for the fact that every girl in the school had a speaking part. It must be conceded that the chief honors fell to the Shakespearean scene, "The Tragedy of Pyramus and Thisbe." Rarely have young girls succeeded in eliciting such peals of laughter from an audience. The spirit of farcical comedy runs through the little sketch was apparent throughout, Jane Wilson and Violet Allen being truly comic in their simulated death. Wall, Lion and Moonshine, in extremely funny costumes, were equally good in their respective roles, the fantastic "Bergamek Dance" making a very ludicrous and effective finish to the scene. Loud congratulations were showered on Miss Archbutt and Miss Messenger, and the entertainment was brought to a close by the singing of the National Anthem.

The programme follows:
Songs (a) "The Angels" (Taubert), (b) French Carol "Cantique de Noel" (Adam), (c) "Bird Song" (Colin Taylor), (d) "The Goosings" (Sir Frederick Bridges), the school; piano duet, "Fairy Waltz" (Lichner), Elsie Friend and Cherry Stone; solos (a) "Meadow Blossom" (Reinecke), Lily Silburn, (b) "Humming Song" (Schumann), Sheila McBride; French speech, "Don Carlos's Invocation to Charlemagne" from "Hernani" (Victor Hugo), Miss Phyllis Barton; piano solos (a) "La Filleuse" (Raffi), Miss Marjorie Judd, (b) "Allegretto in E minor" (Boccherini), Jane Wilson, (c) "Dance by Moonlight" (Carce), Barbara Barker, (d) "Allegretto in C" (Bertini), Vera Cookson; English recitation, "Sherwood" (Alfred Noyes), Miss Phyllis Barton; piano solos (a) "The First Day of the Holidays" (M. Davidson), Blaise Friend, (b) "The Young Shepherdess" (Burgmüller),



ROSEING

Russia's Greatest Terror, Who is Giving a Concert at the Royal Victoria Theatre Christmas Afternoon, Commencing at 3 o'clock

Cherry Stone, (c) "Gavotte" (C. V. Stanford), Margaret Brinkman, (d) "The Sailor" (A. Somervell), Garth Griffiths; French play, "Un The Destructible" (adapted from "Les Maîtres de Sophie" by F. Archbutt), the school; piano duet, "Marche Militaire" (Schubert), Winifred Silburn and Miss Archbutt; piano solos (a) "A Shepherd's Song" (G. P. Moore), "The Two Robins" (Coppee), (b) "Chimaki Kamakura" Mary Banister; recitations, "A Child's Song in Spring" (E. Nesbit), Phyllis Jesse, "Early Morning" (Hilaire Belloc), Florence Fraser, "If No One Ever Marries Me" (Anon.), Marjorie Scott; piano solos (a) "Adagio in E" (Haydn), Miss Phyllis Barton, (b) "A Midsummer Fairy Dance" (T. F. Dunhill), Charlotte Stewart; Shakespearean scene, "The Tragedy of Pyramus and Thisbe" (Pyramus, Jane Wilson; Thisbe, Violet Allen; Wall, Barbara Barker; Lion, Vera Cookson; Moonshine, Sheila McBride); piano solos (a) "Traumerei" (Schumann), Winifred Silburn, (b) "Ode to Chopin" (Godard), Miss Marjorie Judd; song, "Chanson de Florian" (Godard), the school; God Save the King.

ROSEING CALLED
"A WHOLE BAND"
BY BERNARD SHAW

Over a hundred concerts in London in one season and eight in Paris this Spring is eloquent testimony to Roseing's great fascination as a singer. He is, of course, as George Bernard Shaw eulogizes him, "not a mere singer, but a whole band." The tremendous power of his art springs not from voice alone, but from the marvelous ability Roseing has to portray human emotions with bodily poses and facial expressions that illumine in a gripping way the reciting of emotional episode and dramatic narrative in song. "It is a sheer delight to realize the absolute absorption of Roseing in his music," as The Manchester Guardian puts it. "His half-closed eyes, the little hollows below his cheekbones, the tightly-clasped fingers and the body swaying in its passion are in themselves, even without the golden voice, unspeakably moving."

"He is one of the finest operatic artists of the day," wrote London's foremost critic, Ernest Newman, of Roseing, whose concert on Tuesday afternoon, Christmas Day, will be the chief event of the musical season. Roseing's art is the art of the Moscow Art Theatre, of the Petrograd Opera House, beacon lights in the progress of music and acting. Thirty-two years ago, Chaliapin, a disciple of the same Russian school as Roseing, was received in European capitals with hisses, so tremendous was the shock to the old-fashioned and complacent advocates of the Italian school, whose ideal was smoothness and beauty of sound. The Russian thinks otherwise, and he now finds himself in accord with the seethe school of today. "Make the sound suit the words and meaning," was the watchword of the great Russian composers whom Roseing interprets.

Those who have heard Roseing apply his principles even to an English folk-song will prefer Roseing to some namby-pamby treatment by a polished singer whose sole ideal is honeyed tone.

Premier Extension Case
Again Before Court

OTTAWA, Dec. 22.—Justice Lannox, presiding over the weekly court today, advised that opposing counsel get together and appoint an independent custodian for the keeping of the 275,000 shares of stock in the Premier Extension Gold Mining Company of British Columbia, which for the last week have been held by Harold M. Daly, as trustee, by an interim order granted by Judge Mulligan. This morning an application was made to have the interim order made permanent, but Justice Lannox took the matter under review and reserved his decision.

"PERFECT FOOL"
WILL BE AT ROYAL
FOR TWO EVENINGS

A. L. Erlanger will present Ed. Wynn's "The Perfect Fool," under the management of Bertram C. Whitely, at the Royal Victoria Theatre, Victoria, two nights, Wednesday and Thursday, January 3 and 10.

The new book, lyrics and music for this latest Ed. Wynn vehicle is the result of "The Perfect Fool's" vacation period. When closing with Ed. Wynn Carnival, after a solid two year's tour, two seasons ago, Wynn labored industriously at his newest effort. He is solely responsible for the major portion of the material in the two acts and nineteen scenes required to properly present this "musical surprise." To Julian Mitchell must be given due credit for the elaborate staging and production portion, in which this clever director holds a reputation second to none. Mitchell has arranged a series of new artistic ballet diversions in which novelty predominates. Wynn actually sings and does acrobatic, being for the first time in his historic career, besides doing mind reading, and is the "understander" in a three-brother comedy, which is this new Ed. Wynn production, "The Perfect Fool."

Fatally Shoots Five
And Then Suicides

COOPER'S MILLS, Me., Dec. 22.—Three women were shot to death in a lonely farm house here today. John Snow, their alleged assailant, was believed to be dying from a self-inflicted bullet wound. The dead women are: Mrs. Ruth Brann, Mrs. Eva Eaton and Mrs. Ida Snow, wife of John Snow. The women lived together, and it was understood they were sisters.

Later it was discovered that prior to shooting the three women, Snow had shot and killed Mrs. Frank Jowett, wife of Deputy Sheriff Jowett, and her fifteen-year-old son, Kenneth, at the Jowett home in Whitefield, seven miles from here. Snow died this afternoon.

Albanian Cabinet Defeated
ROME, Dec. 22.—Dispatches from Albania state that the government has suffered an adverse vote of confidence, and that Premier Asmed Zog will resign. Professor Curacuci, of Scutari, is expected to be called upon to form a new ministry.

CHESS COLUMN

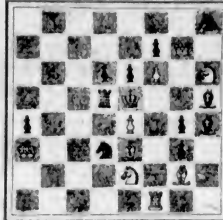
"Good company's a chessboard."
—Byron's "Don Juan."

The Chess Editor wishes all his readers the compliments of the season.

Problem No. 24

By D. Pirnie

BLACK—13 pieces



WHITE—3 pieces

White mates in two moves

Solution to Problem No. 23

1. B-N 3

Although this problem has little to commend it from the standpoint of construction, the position being unnatural and crowded, nevertheless the key is good and is apt to prove troublesome.

The Immortal Game

Touching, however, encounters upon level terms, most authorities agree that Anderson's great game with Kierseritsky is the most brilliant game of chess recorded. It is perhaps difficult to make a choice of this nature which will hold good against all conditions of play. For instance, some of McDonnell's games are (in view of the handicap) beyond praise.

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miration was won by an amateur, and has already been published in these columns.

The Immortal Game

King's Bishop's Gambit

WHITE	BLACK
1. P-K 4	1. P-K 4
2. P-Q 4	2. P-Q 4
3. B-Q 4	3. P-Q 4
4. B-N 3	4. Q-R 5 ch
5. K-B	5. N-K 3
6. N-K 3	6. Q-R 3
7. P-Q 3	7. N-R 4
8. N-R 4	8. P-Q 3
9. N-B 5	9. Q-N 4
10. P-K N 4	10. N-K 3
11. R-K N (a)	11. P-B 3
12. P-K R 4	12. Q-N 3
13. P-R 5	13. Q-N 4
14. Q-R 3	14. N-K 3
15. B-P 3	15. Q-R 3
16. N-Q 3	16. B-B 4
17. N-Q 5	17. Q-N 3 (b)
18. P-Q 6	18. B-R 3 (c)
19. P-K 5	19. Q-R 3 (d)
20. K-K 2	20. N-Q R 3
21. N-N P ch (#21. K-Q 2)	21. N-Q 3
22. Q-B 4 ch	22. N-Q 3
23. B-K 7 ch	

(a) The first sacrifice in a series of brilliantly executed manoeuvres, which, however, are somewhat marred by Black's childish play.

(b) In our opinion the game is robbed of much merit by the weakness of Black's moves. With four pieces (including a Queen) bearing down upon his King, Black exhibits a foolish disregard of danger in pawn hunting at this juncture.

(c) The Rook has no part in the onslaught about to be launched; hence this capture serves no useful purpose, and causes one to doubt that Kierseritsky was really a wonderful player after all.

(d) The same remarks apply to this capture.

(e) This and the following moves constitute a pretty piece of play as any extant.

Fire Injures Eight and
Scores Endangered

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—Six firemen were overcome by smoke, San Francisco's wholesale district was endangered for a short time, and damage estimated at more than \$200,000, caused by fire which swept through a six-story building in the business section of the city early today.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 22.—Two firemen were injured and the lives of scores of employees were endangered when fire late yesterday destroyed the old Minneapolis Iron Block in the wholesale district here, with a property loss of \$150,000.

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CHRISTMAS WEEK NOT WITHOUT "PAN"

Attractive Holiday Bill Is Filed for Christmas and Boxing Day—Three Stellar Acts Featured

What would Christmas week be like without a vaudeville show in town? The mere thought of the question is a creator of gloom, and therefore the announcement that the Pan-tage Theatre would present shows next Tuesday, Christmas Day, and on Wednesday, Boxing Day, was received yesterday with considerable rejoicing.

A top-notch programme is promised, too. Robinson's Syncopeators are known as one of the most popular jazz aggregations in vaudeville and they will bring to Victoria an entirely new line of weird jungle melodies and play them with an artistry known only to themselves.

"Bills of Mark Twain" is the name of an interesting act to be presented by Evans, Mero and Evans, comedy actors of rare merit, and those who see their act and follow the engaging lines will laugh and enjoy the act with them, with thoughts of the days of youth, vivid once more while the show is on.

Lightning-like chatter, with a real punch in every sentence, is guaran-

teed by Josephine Harnon and Georgia Sands, two attractive young ladies who have made a name for themselves as comedians.

Then there are the amazing physical exploits of Mary Drew & Company, who offer an amazing series of gymnastic and acrobatic achievements.

A little dancing, a little singing and some clever juggling are the accomplishments that have won fame for John Burke, and he will have a place on the programme.

And then there is Joe Reichen and his wonderful dogs. There is an animal act that is very, very different from the majority of shows of its kind. The dogs are little fellows and wonderfully trained.

Baby Peggy is shown on the screen in the Century Comedy, "Miles of Smiles."

There will be two shows on Tuesday night, commencing at 7 and 9 o'clock respectively, and on Wednesday there will be a matinee at 3 o'clock as well as the two evening performances.

Cars Run Wild
BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 22.—Two trainmen were injured tonight when a train of empty cars ran wild and crashed into a freight train on the Mary Lee Railroad, a private line owned by the Alabama Company, near Louisville.

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CHILDREN RENDER SCHOOL PROGRAMME

Excellent Programme Enjoyed by Parents and Friends at Centre Road Institution

SIDNEY, Dec. 22.—The closing exercises of the North Saanich School were held last night in the school-house on Centre Road, when George Clark made a capable chairman, and there was a very large attendance of parents and friends of the children.

A splendid programme was rendered, all the parts being cleverly done by the young performers, and every piece received hearty applause. The programme rendered was: "Holy Night," sung by the school;



DOUGLAS MACLEAN
Who Plays the Title Role in "A Man of Action," the Feature Picture at the Royal Theatre Tomorrow and Tuesday Evening Only

piano duet, Gertrude Straight and Kathleen Steinberg; dialogue, "Mother Goose Rhymes," Lily Robinson, Elsie Chancellor, Winnie Tapping, Joan Sherry, Florence Nunn, Ellen Jeffrey, Sara Allison, Glenys Jones, Wilfrid Hall, Phyllis Salmon, George Clark, Alan Jeffrey, James Gibson, Horace Straight, Cyril King, Charles Ricketts. Kathleen was a splendid Mother Goose, while skits and songs in the room, and all the children dressed in character came up to her reciting a rhyme in an endeavor to make her happy. Jimmy Lorenzen was Santa Claus.

"The Night Song" came next, the performers being dressed in nightgowns, and each carrying a candle; these were: Lily Robinson, Ellen Jeffrey, Genevieve Ricketts, Florence Nunn, Della Craig, Leslie Gibson, Frank Gibson, Freddy McLean, Victor Heald.

A medley sung by the whole senior room was very pretty, the catchy airs and words being a novelty.

"We Three Kings of Orient Are" was sung by the senior girls, Adelaide Toomey, Edith Ricketts and Nellie Howman were the kings, dressed in red capes, white skirts and wearing gold crowns, and carrying their staves. The chorus was sung by Clara Simpson, Sylvia Gorton, Lillian Crotte, Rhonda Craig, Kihel Dixon, May Gibson, Amy Robinson, Elma Robinson, Gladys Ricketts, Violet

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Mr. J. Mathews was chairman, paying tribute to the present staff of teachers and the improvement of the school.

The first item on the programme was a piece called "Christmas Dolls," given by Division 4, where the children, dressed to represent different countries, appeared with a doll, each child reciting a verse relating to the country she represented. The little girls looked very sweet, and were loudly applauded. Gladys and Ernest Roberts, dressed in Irish costume, danced the Irish jig very prettily, which was followed by a drill given by the boys of Division 3, those taking part being Stanley Crossley, Thomas Lidgate, Jack Crossley, Lim Jong, Willie Lee, William Thomas, John Secalabra, Edwin Peterson and Wong Ling Chew.

This was followed by little girls of Division 3 putting on a waxworks show, which was very beautiful. The little maids were dressed in characters to represent well-known nursery rhymes. Those taking part were: Maxine Goddard, Alberta Critchley, Coline Cochran, Vivian Grahame, John Speedie, Wilmer Critchley, Margaret Critchley, Dorothy Critchley, Jack Crossley, Jack Crossley, Clarence Shade, Vivian Grahame and Victorine Clanton. Coline Cochran, as the show lady, was especially good.

A chorus, "Jingle Bells," sung by the school, followed up by "God Save the King," brought the programme to an end.

Mr. Clark thanked the teachers, Mrs. Mackenzie and Miss Kathleen Long, for the splendid training of the children.

BAND CONCERT AT CAPITOL TONIGHT
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The third of the series of Sunday evening band concerts will be held tonight in the Capitol Theatre.

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URGES SAFEGUARDS AGAINST THIEVERY
Chief Dawley Wants Householders to Secure Windows Before Going Out

A warning to householders to see that doors are windows are secure and valuables are hidden before leaving their homes was issued yesterday by Chief Dawley, head of the Victoria police.

On Friday night the residence of Mrs. Pearce at 850 Dominion Road was entered by a window during Mrs. Pearce's absence in the city. While there was evidence of someone having rummaged about the house, nothing was taken, valuables being hidden away.

Chief Dawley points out that prowlers seem to be operating comparatively early at nights during the absence of householders who are doing Christmas shopping. He urged that special precautions be taken at this time.

RECEIVER APPOINTED
NANAIMO, Dec. 21.—In an action brought by Whitty Bros. against W. H. T. Firth, His lordship appointed Mr. J. M. Ruff as receiver of the revenue from Firth's property, without prejudice to the rights of the city, who hold a mortgage under the Better Housing Act for returned soldiers.

It was argued that under the Act, the lands held by returned soldiers could not be attached, but the judge held that the provision did not apply to mortgaged property. Mr. Conroy appeared on behalf of Whitty Bros., and Mr. Leighton for the city.

DIES AT NANAIMO
NANAIMO, Dec. 21.—The death occurred yesterday afternoon, of Mary, the seven-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Stephenson, Newcombe Township. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon. Rev. Father Heynen officiating.

Tom Luan Sang, a resident of this city for the past forty-four years, died yesterday. The deceased was eighty-two years of age.

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Airplane-motor-driven craft by "Al the Sheik" was reported when it attempted a dash out to the rum fleet. "Al," the best-known bottle fisherman, the master of the rum row-

wards reported they broke up a drinking party and captured a cargo of bottled contraband off the coast when they frightened off the men and boys who ran down beach to help a harassed rum-runner unload his goods before a coast official arrived.

SA, Dec. 22.—Striking em-
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strike at the Camaguey headquarters.
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sentatives of the strikers. They also
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of the situation.

European Disruption Foretold By Russian Now Resident Here

General S. Merkauloff, Formerly Official Under Czar's Government, More Recently President of Priamouria, Explains Russia's Plight as Due to Jews' Ambition for World-Domination

SAYS JEWRY IS DIVIDED AND RUSSIA IS AWAKE

AN absorbing ambition on the part of the Jews to seize control of industry and governments and ultimately dominate the whole world is the interpretation which General Merkauloff, a Russian officer who has recently come to the city, gives to the events of the last seven or eight years in his own country and elsewhere throughout Europe.

General Merkauloff came to Victoria about six months ago from Japan, where he had been living for a year or more. With his wife and daughter and orderly he has taken up his residence on Cook Street, and it was there that a Colonist reporter interviewed him a few days ago. He was in his study, surrounded by maps, newspapers, books in Russian, French, English and German. Although he does not speak all these languages fluently he reads them readily, and is wonderfully well-informed in respect of political movements and all related matters which are taking place in most parts of the world. He is immersed in the study of the problems which have been the cause of his country's distressing plight, and which, he claims, are significant also in the explanation of world conditions at large.

Combined Conspiracy

"The Jews all over the world are joined in a great combined conspiracy to seize all power, all governments, and make themselves the dominant and ruling class," asserts the general. All the leaders of the Bolsheviks, he says, are Jews. There is not one Russian among them. And where they feared recognition they did not scruple to change their names so that they would draw suspicion among the Russian people.

Where were they drawn from? Germany, Switzerland, Poland, America, American Jews, who had left Russia fifteen, twenty years ago, had been returning to take political office, to captain industries, to direct and organize armies and forge the bonds of tyranny in which Russia is held today.

The Bolsheviks

The Bolsheviks may be classed into two bodies. First were those organized by the Jews, whose leaders, Trotsky and Lenin, are, General Merkauloff claims, not the real Bolsheviks at all. They donned the garb of Bolshevism just to obtain leadership and hoodwink the people. Working on the credulous and simple-minded, they convinced them that loyal support of the Trotsky and Lenin standards would give the masses unlimited power. These lying leaders had extended extraordinary privileges to the army just to give it a sense of false security. And once having won the army they used it to suppress and oppress the masses and make them powerless by taking away their arms and munitions.

There was another party in the Bolshevik camp. These are genuine followers of the Bolshevik propaganda. For one year it swept all the masses of Russia into its embrace. But the realization of the fact that they had been duped, that they had been the victims of a vast conspiracy that was directed to their destruction, suddenly came to the people. That was when Russia, the Real Russia, stood up to throw off the obnoxious yoke. Fighting became general. For four years the masses had been in mortal combat with the Bolsheviks.

Hands Weakened

But by the time they woke up to realize that they were betrayed Russia had lost all its means of offence and defence. The Bolsheviks had seized all the money, all the arms, all the munitions. The creation of the anti-Bolshevik or White Army was the inevitable corollary.

General Merkauloff stated that the Bolshevik Army numbered 600,000 men, and the special guard was drawn exclusively from Jews.

"The Bolsheviks are organized

everywhere—in England, in America, in France, in Germany. The Germans are beginning to realize the menace which is in their midst, and they are repressing the Jews. It is a powerful organization, very big, very rich, very strong. In America it is very strong, but the people do not see it," the general asserts. He spoke of the measures which had been taken by certain American Jew-owned papers to discredit him immediately on his arrival on this continent. They are well-posted in the movements of their enemies, and have machinery at every turn to spread their propaganda, he says.

Divided Jewry

General Merkauloff does not implicate all Jews in this charge. Only one section of them entertain this dream of world-power, with Russia as their headquarters. The other section, which is led by the finest men in the world, the general thinks, makes Palestine its objective. The first section of Jews hates the second, because it realizes that by standing aside the latter has divided their strength and defeated their ambition. The first portion works secretly, stealthily, backed by great wealth, armed with great cunning; the second section works openly, fairly, sincerely. The first exercises every measure of bribery and corruption that money can buy, whether it be through the press, its own officials, or the very governments of the world themselves.

Cossack Troops of the Russian Army in Pre-Revolution Days



The Czar's Cavalry Advancing During a Campaign in the Caucasus

of the big political positions were being given to Jews.

No Christians

"It is impossible to be a member of the Communist Party and at the same time a Christian. So when people in Russia decide for material or other reasons to be Communists, they forswear Christianity."

sentiment of duty and respect to God. The other part, who have always been stronger numerically, saw God as the

almighty despot who had chosen the Jew as the leader of the nations, all the remaining peoples to be their slaves. In other words, they interpret religious history as giving the Jew the primary place as men, other peoples being simply demi-men or something little more than animals. In this sense a section of the Jewish people had fallen into idolatry. They were the

sealous representatives of materialism. The destruction of the Jewish kingdom and the dispersion of the Jew throughout the world did not put an end to the dreams of world domination held by the leaders of the Jews, but strengthened their resolve. Although scattered throughout the nations and in one sense conscious of its weakness as a fair and open fighting force Jewry had been secretly working for the destruction of states and powers, and for the setting up in their stead of the all-world Jewish monarchy, in which no religion would be allowed except Judaism.

CRAIGFLOWER SCHOOL GIVES FINE CONCERT

Under the auspices of the Craigflower Parent-Teachers' Association, a most successful concert was held last night in the Craigflower School. The children, under the direction of Miss Bjolander and Miss Gordon, displayed wonderful talent, giving carols, songs, dances and recitations with great skill. During the course of the evening the orchestra of the George

Jay School rendered several fine selections. Mrs. Lucas, superintendent of the Spanish Health Centre, gave a short address, remarking upon how well advanced the elder girls were in connection with the Little Mother League. Diplomas and badges were then presented to the girls. Subsequently songs were given by Mr. Fanthorpe, Mr. Hughes and Mr. McGahan, the latter also giving a fine

banjo solo. A few brief remarks by Mr. Washington, president of the Parent-Teachers' Association, closed a successful evening.

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GENERAL MERKAULOFF AND HIS AIDE

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"In England, France, America, they do not understand," General Merkauloff laments. Lately Germany had shown signs of perceiving the mischievous element in her midst, and that many

The solution is not very obvious to General Merkauloff. In Russia the Jews, the Communists, the Bolshevik power is doomed. The people have taken that matter into their own hands. The Bolsheviks are in sufficient majority in the cities and along the main railway routes for a distance of perhaps thirty miles on each side to hold down the masses. But in the big areas outside this, in the great agrarian districts, the real Russia is numerically uppermost, and is slowly weakening Bolshevik power by killing off all the officials which they send out to these areas.

In White Army

General Merkauloff is an officer of the White Army. He left Russia just after the great revolution which definitely robbed the Allies of one of their greatest potential forces in the late war. Up to that time he had been in St. Petersburg on the Food Commission of Russia, distributing supplies shipped from America and Japan. The weakness of the new power was immediately apparent to him, and he tendered his resignation. But it was not accepted. So he fled with his family to Siberia, where he had interests in gold mines.

"I saw that the new power, the temporary power, was no good, that it had no strength, that it would ultimately be swept aside by the Bolsheviks. Even before the revolution I had foreseen something of what was to happen because our statesmen were weak and incapable; they understood only the art of talking, not the art of governing. And two months after I reached Siberia the Bolsheviks destroyed this government."

Later the general went to Vladivostok, was selected the president of Priamouria Republic, and ruled there for a year and a half. In September, 1923, he left Vladivostok for Japan, handing over his command to General Duerike. He does not see many hopeful signs. Even in Japan the conditions are bad politically because of the inability of the statesmen to cope with the problems of the hour. Germany, he prophesies, must fall. Even at its worst Russian money has never fallen to the point of depreciation of the German mark.

Deeply Religious

General Merkauloff is a profound student of Biblical history, and deeply religious, and his book on the causes of the Russian revolution sets forth his views. From the beginning of its historical life the Jewish people were, he claims, divided into two parts. One was in all times imbued with the

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